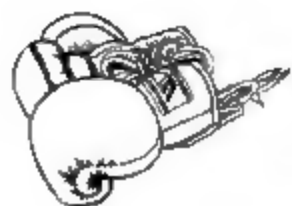


もり  
かわ  
森川ジョージ

52

はじめの  
いっぽ  
一歩  
THE FIGHTING!



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## はじめての一步





Yes

Are you leaving? Vorg...



I'll look after her grave

You should fight to your heart's content



When I finish getting things settled here

I'll leave immediately



But...







Because now  
I have nothing to  
leave behind

I have  
no worries

I'll only  
look forward

And nothing to  
come back to



That someday  
your blood  
would force  
you to leave

Your mother's  
death isn't why  
you're leaving

I knew that  
sooner or later  
you would leave  
this place



The  
blood of a  
wolf...







I'LL SAY IT  
CLEARLY,  
HE'S A MAN  
THAT CAN  
TAKE THE  
BELT

AND GIVEN  
HIS RANKING,  
HE'LL BE  
KNOCKING  
AT YOUR  
DOOR SOON



B-  
BUT...

IT'S NOT  
A DEFINITE  
THAT HE'D  
BEAT ME...



IT  
MAKES  
FOR  
A HARD  
FIGHT

BUT IF YOU  
USE IT AND GET  
COUNTERED,  
YOU'RE DEAD

AND IF YOU  
DON'T HAVE THE  
DEMPSEY,  
YOU AREN'T A  
SCARY GUY

SAWAMURA  
IS THE  
ULTIMATE  
PREDATOR  
OF THE  
DEMPSEY  
ROLL



HIS  
COUNTERS  
ARE THE  
MARK OF  
GENIUS

IT COULD  
BE...



IS HE  
REALLY  
THAT  
STRONG?

I'VE NEVER  
ACTUALLY  
SEEN ANY OF  
HIS FIGHTS,  
SO I DON'T  
KNOW



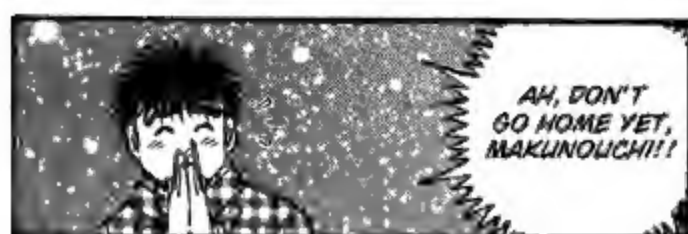
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DON'T SAY  
THINGS  
LIKE THAT

PL-...

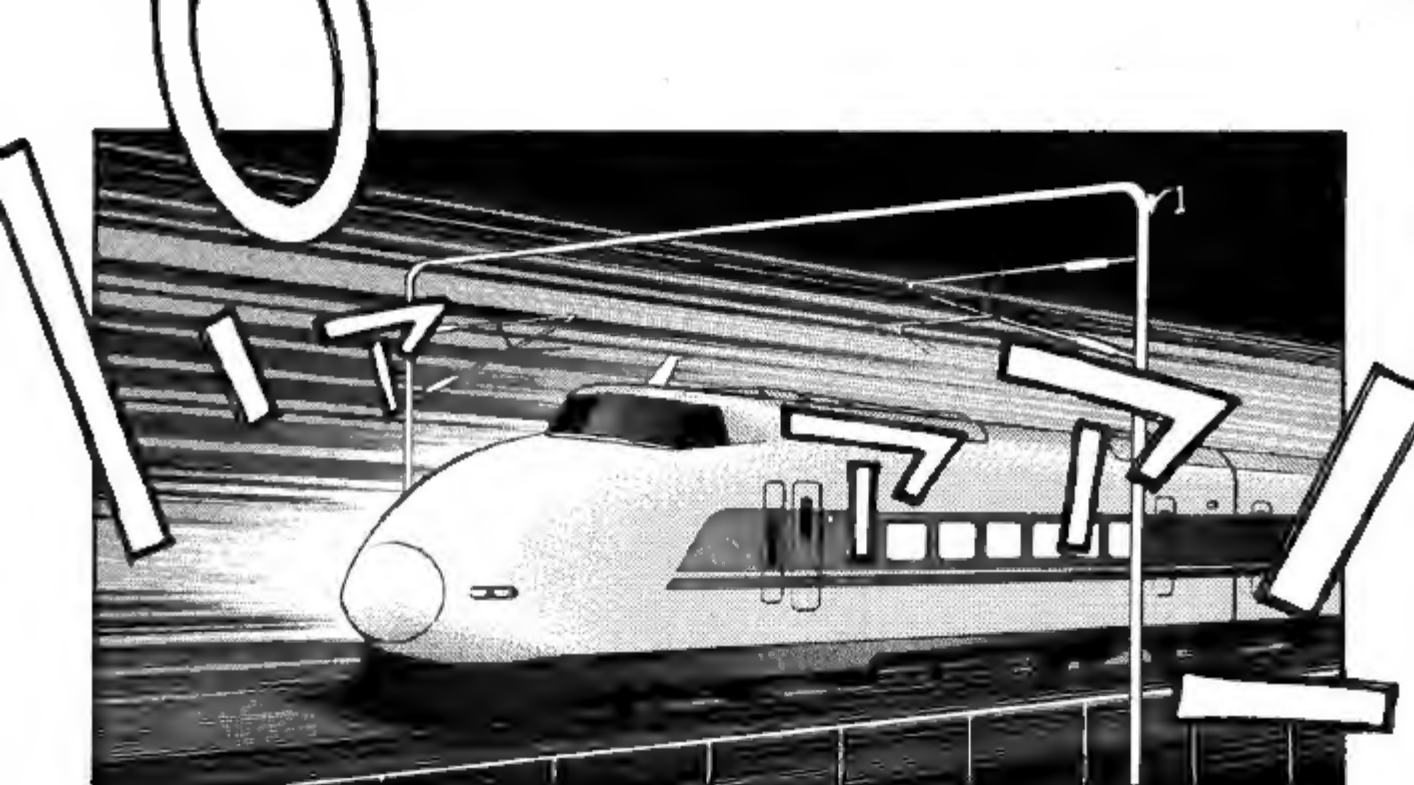


HE'S THAT  
STRONG A  
FIGHTER

I'M JUST  
TELLING  
YOU THE  
TRUTH

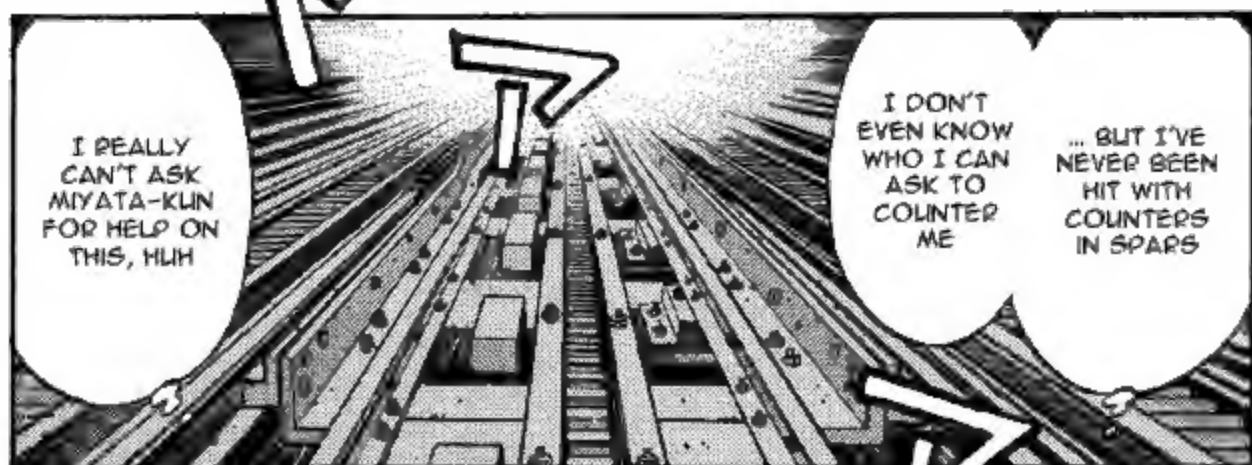






CLUMSY TECHNIQUE...





I REALLY  
CAN'T ASK  
MIYATA-KUN  
FOR HELP ON  
THIS, HUH

I DON'T  
EVEN KNOW  
WHO I CAN  
ASK TO  
COUNTER  
ME

... BUT I'VE  
NEVER BEEN  
HIT WITH  
COUNTERS  
IN SPARS



HEARING  
SOME-  
THING  
LIKE  
THAT IS  
KIND OF  
HARD

BUT STILL,  
IT'S WHAT  
I'VE  
ALWAYS  
RELIED ON

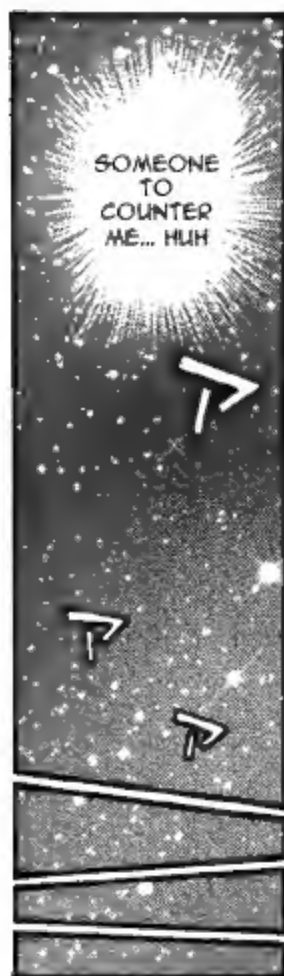


CLUMSY  
TECHNIQUES...



I  
KNOW  
THAT

PEOPLE ARE  
GRADUALLY  
PUSHING THE  
DEMPSEY  
ROLL



SOMEONE  
TO  
COUNTER  
ME... HUH



I WANT  
TO BEAT  
HIM

USING  
THE  
DEMPSEY  
ROLL...

WBC World Junior  
Lightweight 3rd Seed

**LARRY  
BERNARD**

20 Fights,  
20 Wins,  
10 KO,  
0 Losses

WBC World Junior  
Middleweight Champion

**TAKAMURA  
MAMORU**

17 Fights,  
17 Wins,  
17 KO,  
No Losses

WBC World Junior  
Middleweight 3rd Seed

**LARRY  
BERNARD**

20 Fights,  
20 Wins,  
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WBC World Junior  
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17 Fights,  
17 Wins,  
17 KO,  
No Losses

Ryogaku Kokugikan

For Booking Information  
03 5395 XXXX

8:00 PM Start

A Kamogawa Production

**WK**

**KING OF HAWK**

**KIN**

Title Match

WBC World Junior Middleweight Championship Title Match

WBC World Junior M

WBC World  
Junior Middle-  
weight Title  
Match Pre-  
Fight Press  
Conference

A WORD  
FROM THE  
FIGHTERS-

WBC World  
Junior Middle-  
weight Title  
Match Pre-  
Fight Press  
Conference

AND  
NOW-













HE INTENDS TO  
CONQUER & BRING  
GLORIES AND THAT  
HE WILL NOT RECEIVE  
EVEN ONE BLOW  
FROM THIS  
CHALLENGER

THE WORDS  
OF TAKAHARA  
AMATORI HAVE  
LIT A FIRE!!

WILL HIS  
WORDS  
BE TRUTH  
OR LIES'?

THE IWC  
WORLD JUNIOR  
MIDDLEWEIGHT  
TITLE MATCH

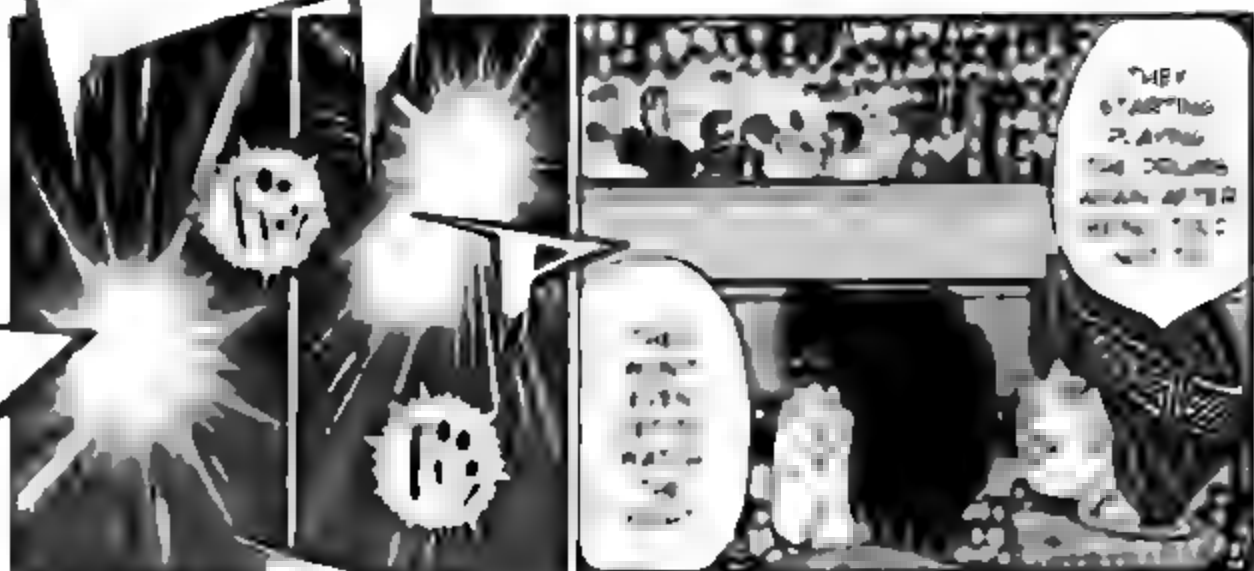
WHEN THIS  
IS OVER  
WILL HE BE  
ABLE TO FACE  
THE FANS IN  
ATTENDING  
TOWNOUT WITH  
PRIDE?

IT IS NOW  
ABOUT TO  
BEGIN





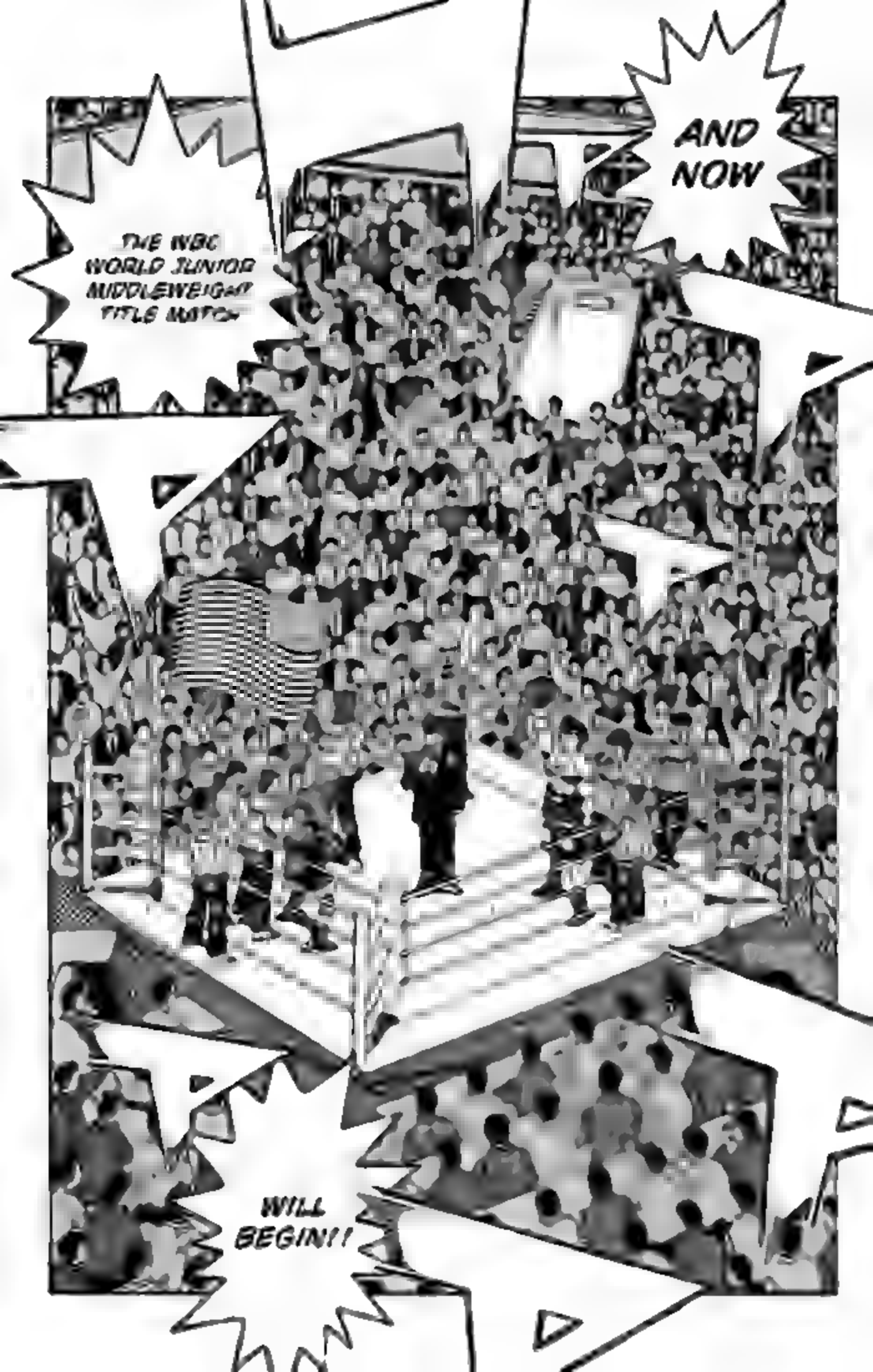




**AND  
NOW**

**THE INBC  
WORLD JUNIOR  
MIDDLEWEIGHT  
TITLE MATCH**

**WILL  
BEGIN!!**

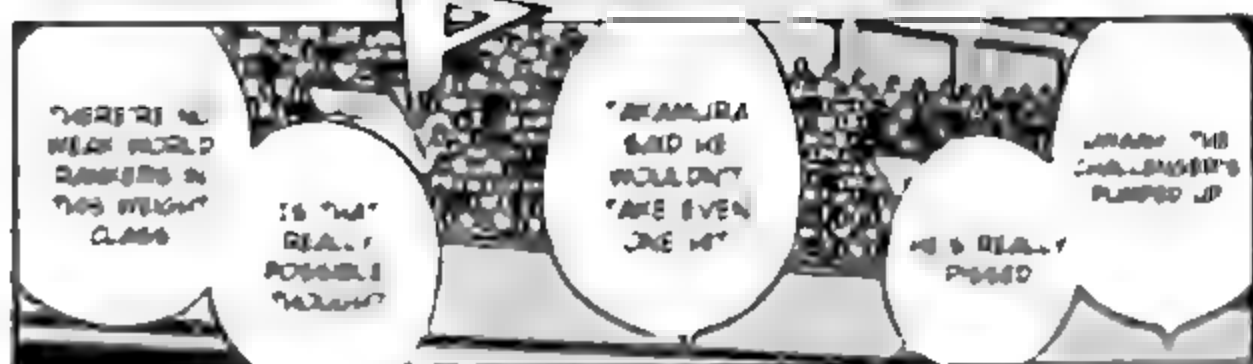






# はじめての一步

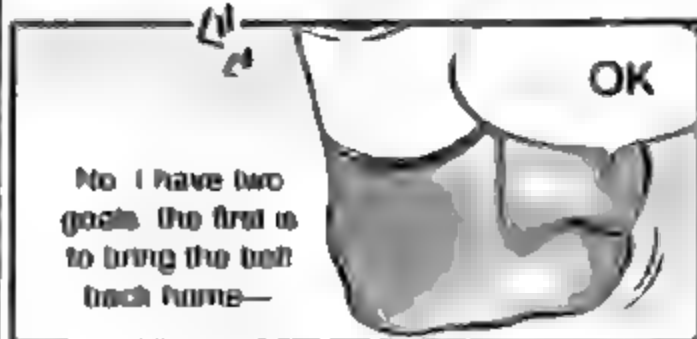




Shogun: 1000000  
 Saku: 1000000  
 Taro: 1000000  
 Cops: 1000000

Round 464

Treacherous King





JUST

WATCH



CONCENTRATE AND FIGHT!

FORGET ABOUT WHAT YOU SAID AT THE CONFERENCE

DON'T LOOK DOWN ON THE WORLD RING



PROVING THAT I CAN GO THE FULL 6 WEIGHT DIVISIONS

I'M JUST

I'M NOT LOOKING DOWN ON IT



WHAT'S WITH YOU GUYS AND SMELLING THINGS?



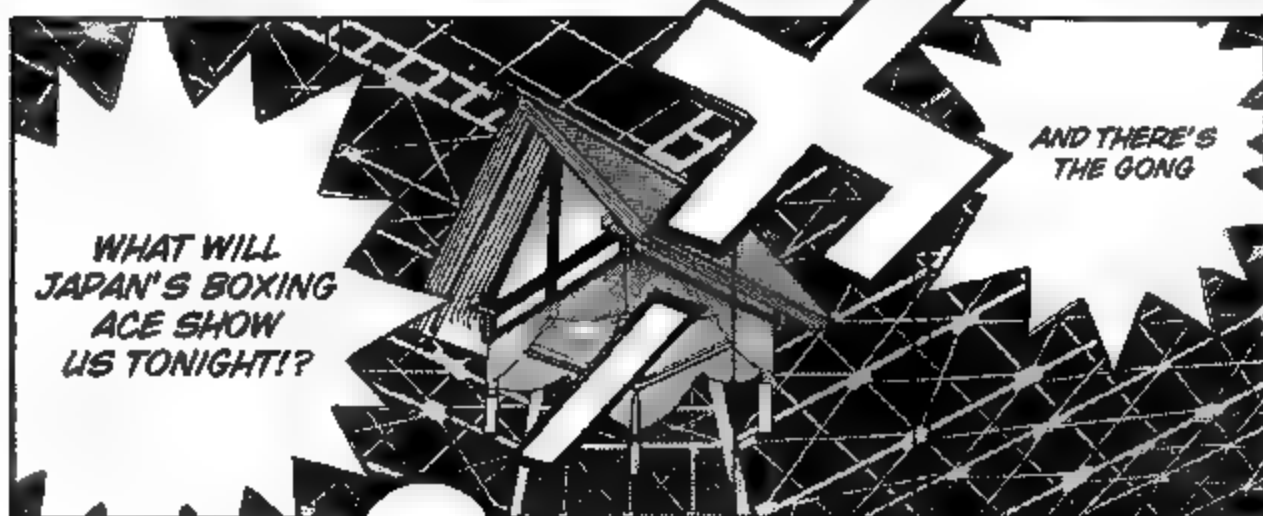
I-, I SMELL IT

A GOOD SCENT ..



I BET IT'S BECAUSE HE HAS A SECRET WEAPON PLANNED

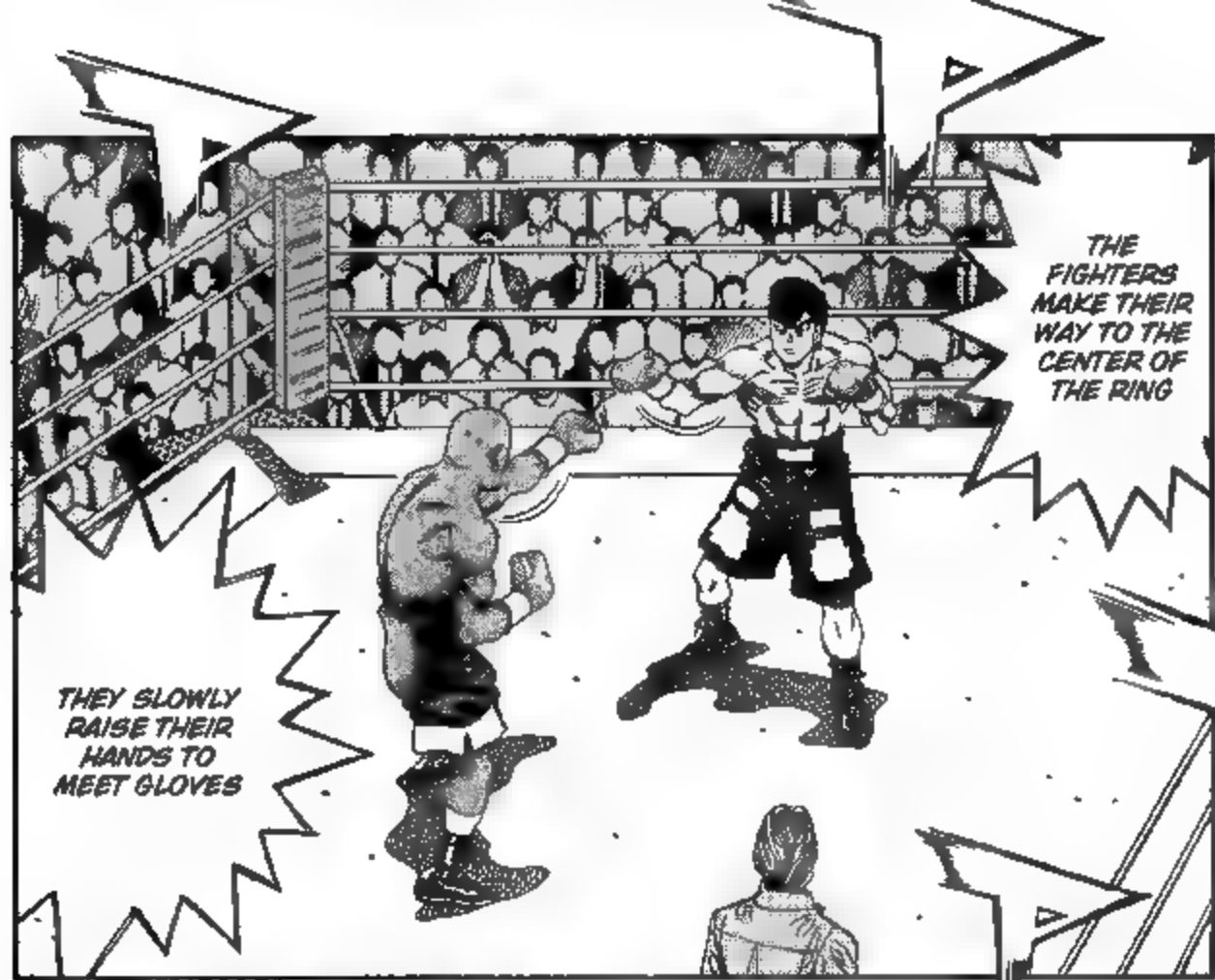
TAKAMURA-SAN'S SO CALM



WHAT WILL JAPAN'S BOXING ACE SHOW US TONIGHT!?

AND THERE'S THE GONG





THE  
FIGHTERS  
MAKE THEIR  
WAY TO THE  
CENTER OF  
THE RING

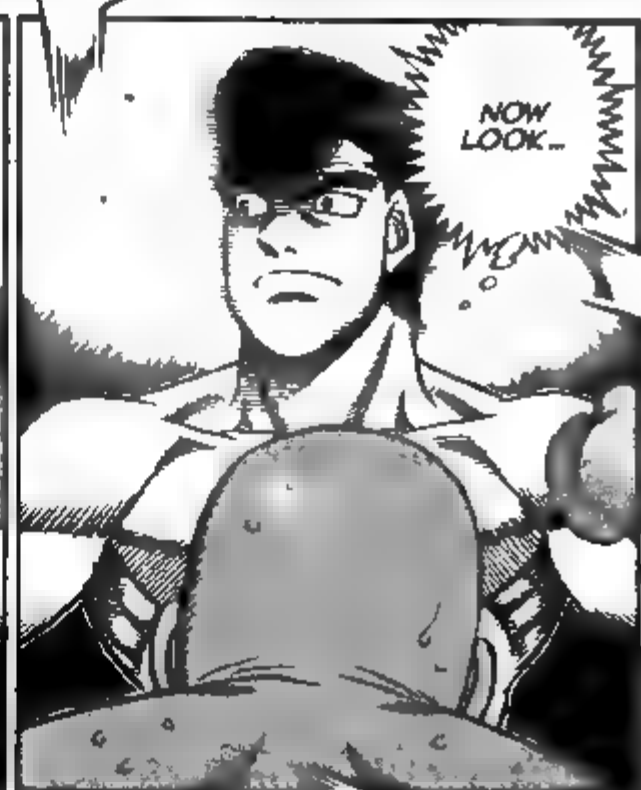
THEY SLOWLY  
RAISE THEIR  
HANDS TO  
MEET GLOVES



HE RUSHES  
INTO THE  
OPENING!!

AAAH, THE  
CHALLENGER  
HITS HIS  
HAND AWAY











HE'S  
TOTALLY  
FACING  
THE OTHER  
DIRECTION

UWAAAAH~  
THE CHAMPION  
TURNS HIS  
ENTIRE BODY  
TO HIS SIDE

GEE~H,  
IT'S NOT  
JUST A 'LOOK  
AWAY'

LOOK OUT

WHAT  
IS THIS!?  
WHAT IS HE  
PLANNING  
TO DO !?

YOU MUST BE  
WONDERING WHAT  
I'M LOOKING  
AT, RIGHT!?

HOW'S THIS, BALDY?!

YOU'RE STUCK  
NOW, RIGHT?

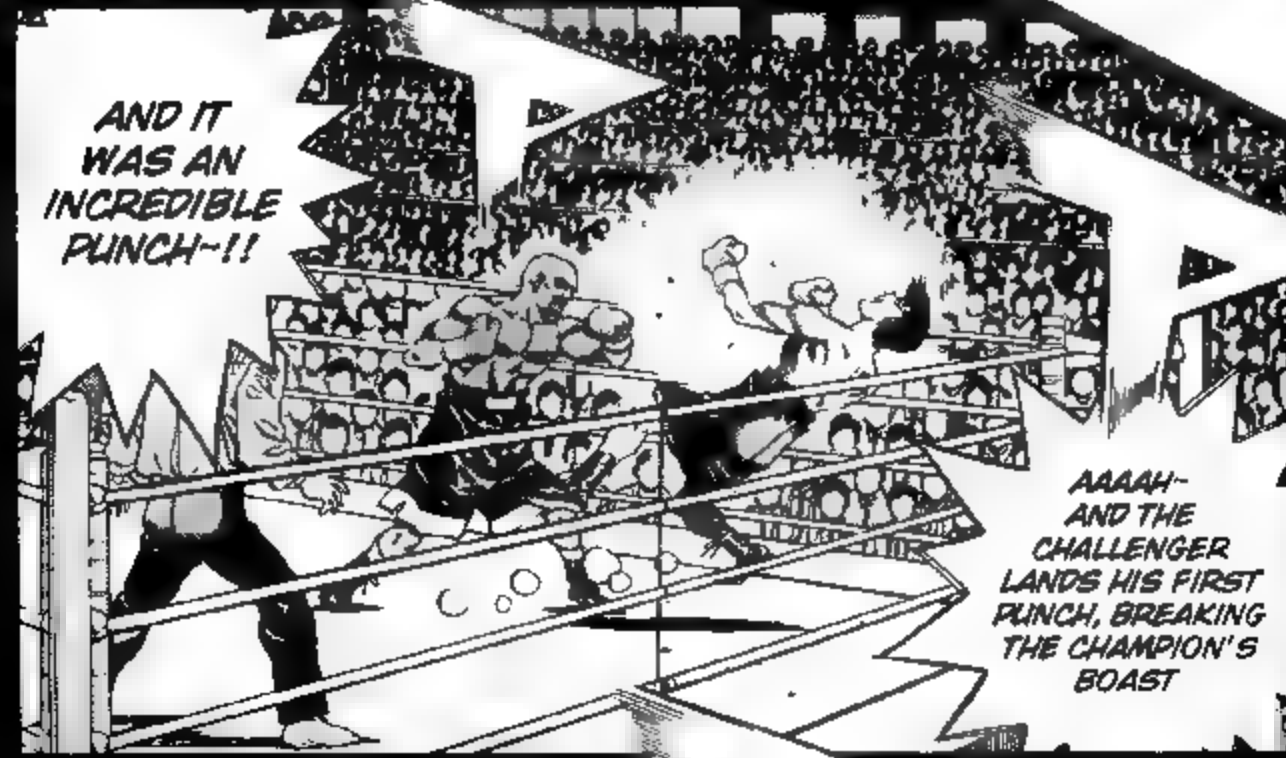
HN..

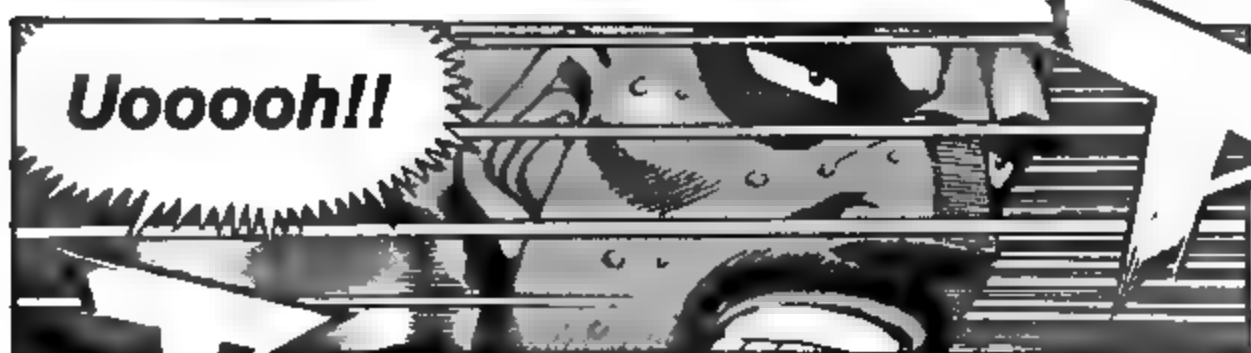
TAKA-  
MURA-  
KLIN,  
FRONT!

YOU  
FOOL~  
LOOK IN  
FRONT  
OF YOU

LOOK IN  
FRONT OF  
YOU, YOU  
SICK  
PRICK!!

IDIOT!  
IN FRONT  
OF YOU









WHAT? HE SHOULD'VE BEEN CAUGHT UP IN MY PSYCHOLOGICAL TRAP! AYE!

WHY DIDN'T HE LOOK AWAY?



WHO A



THIS ISN'T THE TIME TO ASK QUESTIONS!



AND THE CHALLENGER RUSHES IN TO CAPITALIZE!!

HE TOOK AN INCREDIBLE PUNCH!

THE COLOR OF THE CHALLENGER'S FACE HAS CHANGED





# はびめの一步







BUT  
THIS  
IS—

THE  
ATTACK  
DOESN'T  
SLOW  
DOWN

BUT



STOP  
FLICKING  
AROUND"

DUMBASS'  
IF YOU  
COULD DO  
THAT, THEN  
WHY'D YOU  
TRY THE  
LOOK-AWAY



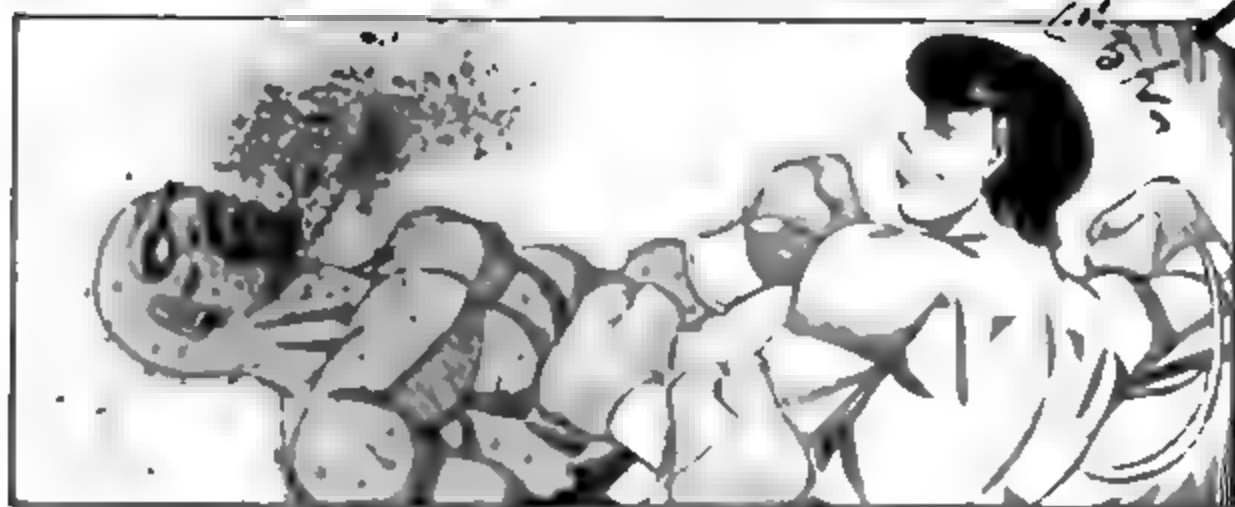
ALL  
OF  
THEM

HE'S  
DODG-  
ING



DON'T  
GET SO

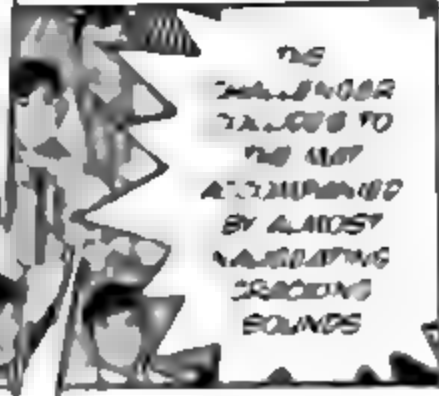
Round 465 Cheese Champion





AND THE  
COUNTRY -

THE  
REFUGEE  
STOPS IN

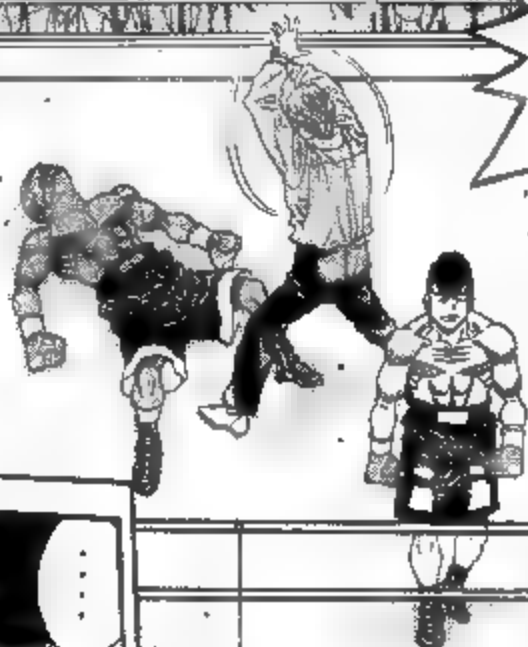


THE  
THUNDER  
TALKS TO  
THE AIR  
ACCOMPANIED  
BY ALOUD  
VIBRATING  
SOUNDING  
SOUNDS

THE  
MATCH IS  
OVER~!!

THERE  
IS NO  
COUNT!

IT'S  
OVER



NOW  
THEN...

THAT'S  
HOW IT'S  
DONE!!



LET'S  
START  
ACTING ALL  
COOL NOW

SHUT UP!  
YOU GOT  
ME!

THERE'S  
NO WAY  
YOU'LL  
TAKE A  
PRISON  
ADVIS

LET'S  
LOOK  
AT THIS ON  
OUTSIDE

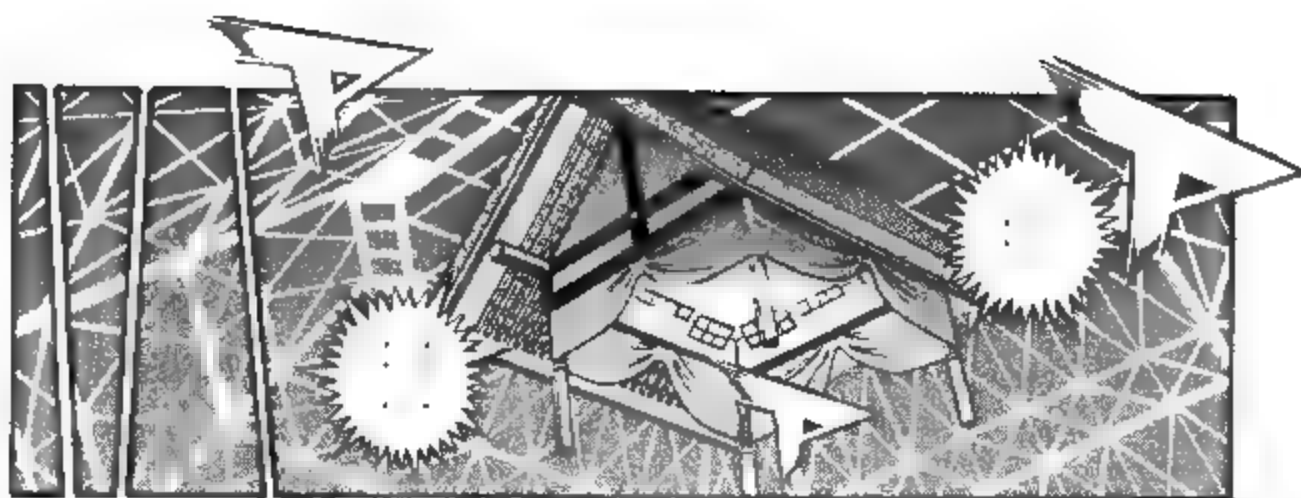
THE  
WAS "ACT"

I REPEAT,  
PLEASE DO  
NOT THROW  
THINGS  
INTO THE  
RING!!

WILL THE  
AUDIENCE  
PLEASE  
CALM DOWN

PLEASE  
DON'T  
THROW  
THINGS INTO  
THE RING







HM.



BUT IT  
WASN'T  
AOKI-  
SAN'S  
FAULT  
AT ALL

AND  
THERE  
THEY GO



THEY  
RUN  
FAST...

GEEZ



HAVE YOU  
NO PRIDE  
AS THE  
WORLD  
CHAMPION!?

PITIFUL  
PITIFUL  
PITIFUL

WHAT  
WAS THE  
MEANING  
OF THAT!?



I'M NOT  
DONE  
YELLING  
AT YOU  
YET



AND  
I'M NOT  
FIGHTING  
AS A  
JUNIOR  
MIDDLE  
ANYMORE

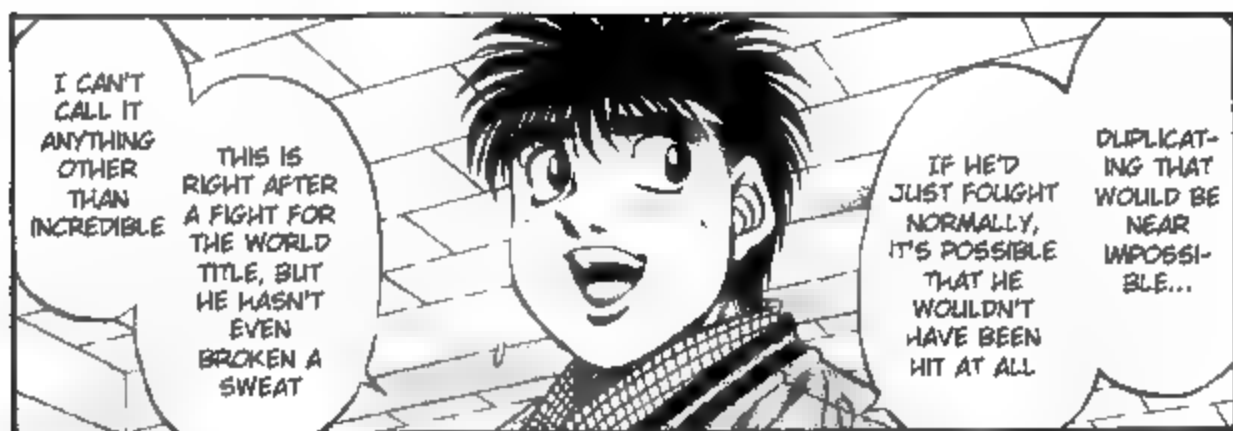
I WON,  
SO LAY  
OFF

GET  
READY  
TO TAKE  
OVER A  
SECOND  
CLASS



HHMM

AND  
YOUR  
OPINION  
?



I CAN'T  
CALL IT  
ANYTHING  
OTHER  
THAN  
INCREDIBLE

THIS IS  
RIGHT AFTER  
A FIGHT FOR  
THE WORLD  
TITLE, BUT  
HE WASN'T  
EVEN  
BROKEN A  
SWEAT

IF HE'D  
JUST FOUGHT  
NORMALLY,  
IT'S POSSIBLE  
THAT HE  
WOULDN'T  
HAVE BEEN  
HIT AT ALL

DUPLICAT-  
ING THAT  
WOULD BE  
NEAR  
IMPOSSI-  
BLE...



AS LONG  
AS HE CAN  
USE HIS  
STRENGTH,  
HE'S  
HAPPY

HE'S A  
GUY WHO  
CAN'T LIVE  
OUTSIDE  
OF THE  
SPOTLIGHT

HE'S NOT  
IN IT FOR  
THE MONEY



SURE THE  
WEIGHT CONTROL  
IS HARSH, BUT I  
DON'T THINK HE  
NEEDS TO RUSH  
IT SO MUCH

IF IT WERE  
ME I'D STICK  
AROUND THE  
JUNIOR  
MIDDLES A  
BIT LONGER  
AND RACK  
UP SOME  
MORE FIGHT  
MONEY, YOU  
KNOW



I GUESS  
THAT'S  
ANOTHER  
WAY OF  
LOOKING  
AT IT

RUSH?  
TAKAMURA-  
SAN?



I FEEL  
NERVOUS  
JUST  
CARRYING  
IT AROUND

LET'S  
BRING IT  
BACK TO  
HIM



AND  
TAKING OF  
6 WEIGHT  
CLASSES  
IS JUST  
LIKE HIM,  
TOO

IT'S  
JUST LIKE  
TAKAMURA  
SAN TO  
FORGET  
SOMETHING  
LIKE THIS



JUST  
LOOK

HE  
FORGOT  
A LITTLE  
SOMETHING



I-, I'M  
SORRY...

I'M A  
BOXER,  
ASSHOLE!!

YOU DON'T  
RECOGNIZE  
ME!?



YOUR  
CURRENT  
PASSENGER  
IS A MAN  
WHO'S  
ABOUT TO  
CHANGE  
HISTORY

DRIVER,  
BE  
PROUD



THE  
FUTURE  
YOKOZUNA?

YOU'RE  
LEAVING THE  
RYOUGOKU,  
SO YOU MUST  
BE A SUMO,  
RIGHT?



VERY  
SOON...

I CAN  
FEEL IT  
COMING

HE'LL  
BRING  
JAPAN  
INTO THE  
FOREFRONT  
OF THE  
BOXING  
WORLD



YES!

TO...  
THE  
NEXT  
ONE.



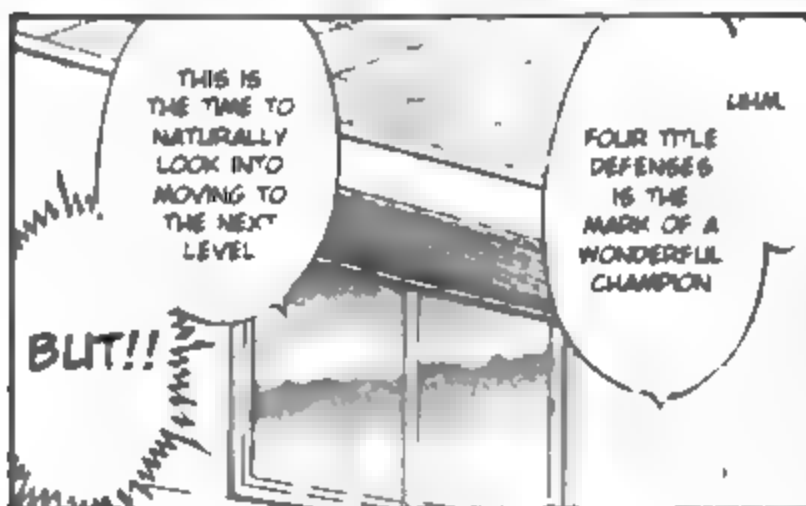
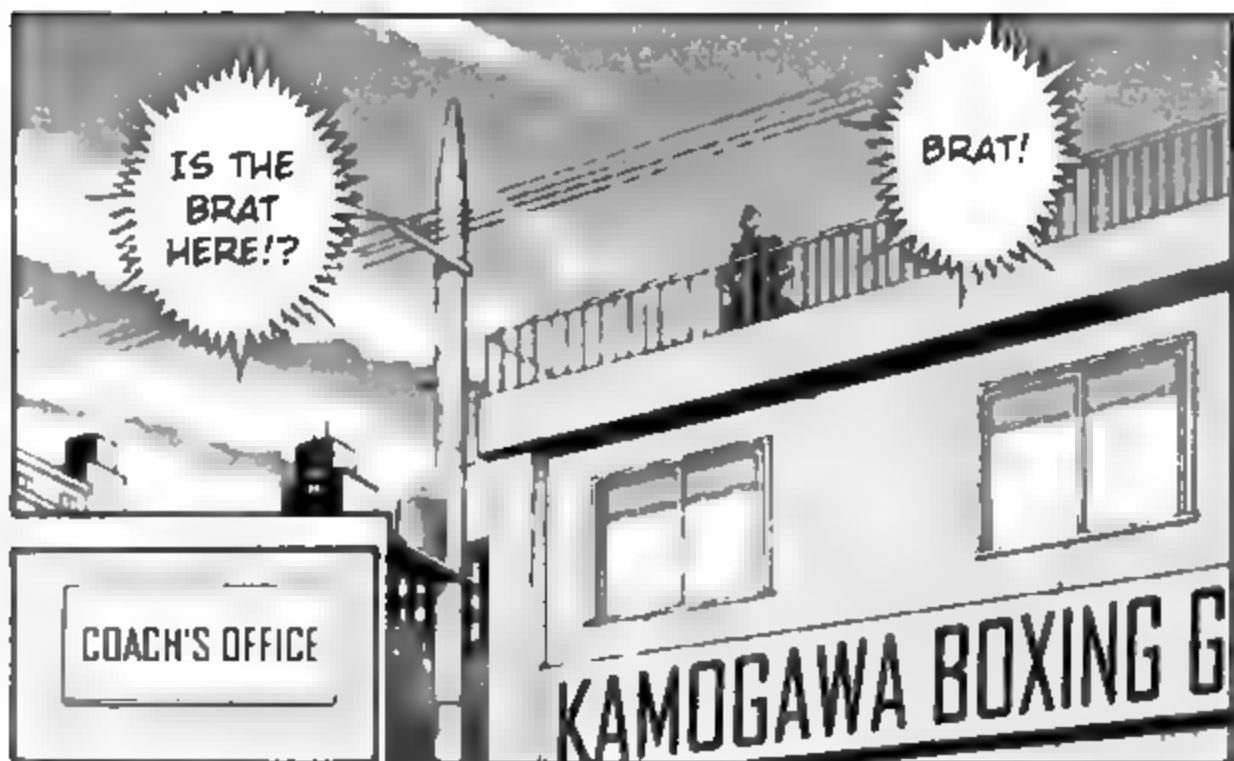
GOOD  
WORK  
TONIGHT

WELL AT  
LEAST THE  
FIGHT'S  
OVER



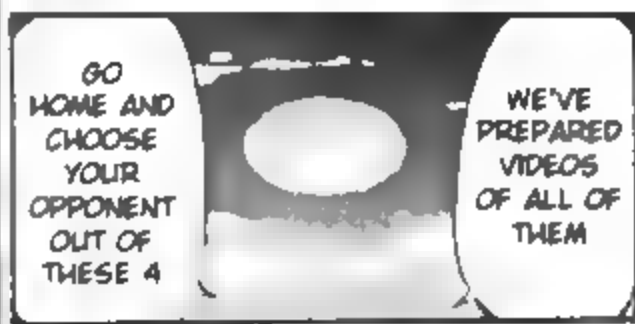
WE NEED  
TO LOOK  
AHEAD

WE DON'T  
HAVE TIME  
FOR  
FORMALITIES







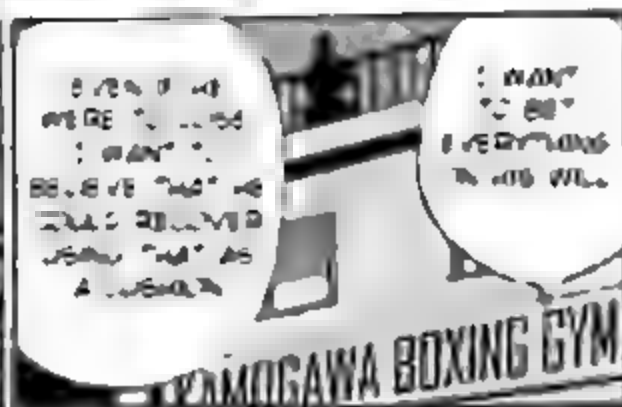
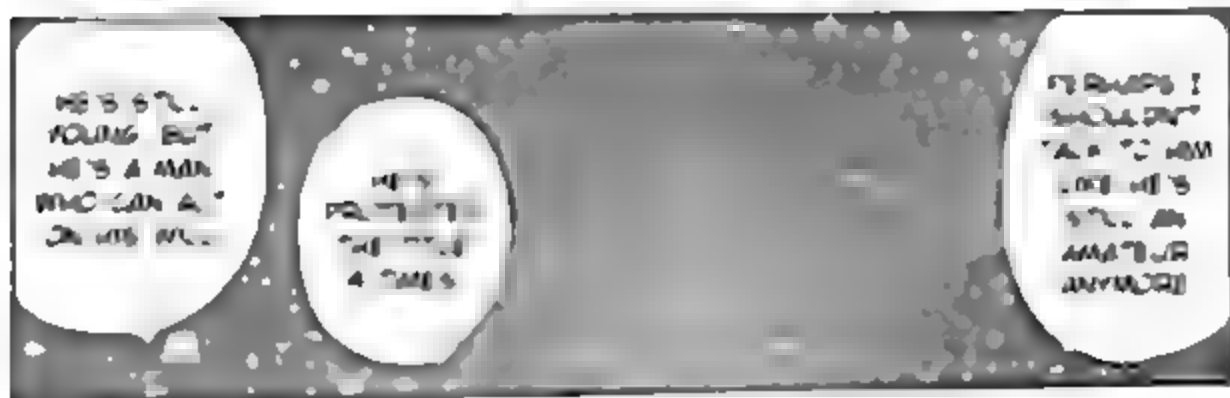


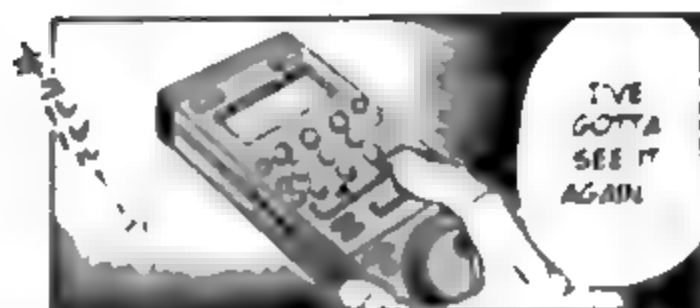












THEN  
SHIMABUKURO'S  
ONE LOSS IN THE  
ROOKIE KINGS  
WAS AGAINST  
SAWAMURA-SAN'

AND HE  
MANAGED TO  
BEAT A MAN  
WITH SO MUCH  
STAMINA IN A  
4 ROUND  
FIGHT



THAT  
TOOK ME  
TO THE  
BOTTOM  
OF THE  
SEA

THIS  
COULDN'T  
BE THE  
SAME  
MAN



HE'S  
SO  
TIRED

HE  
CAN'T  
EVEN  
MOVE





# はひめの一步







*SnoopyCool*

Scanner ~ Hanabishi\_Recca

Translator ~ Snoopy

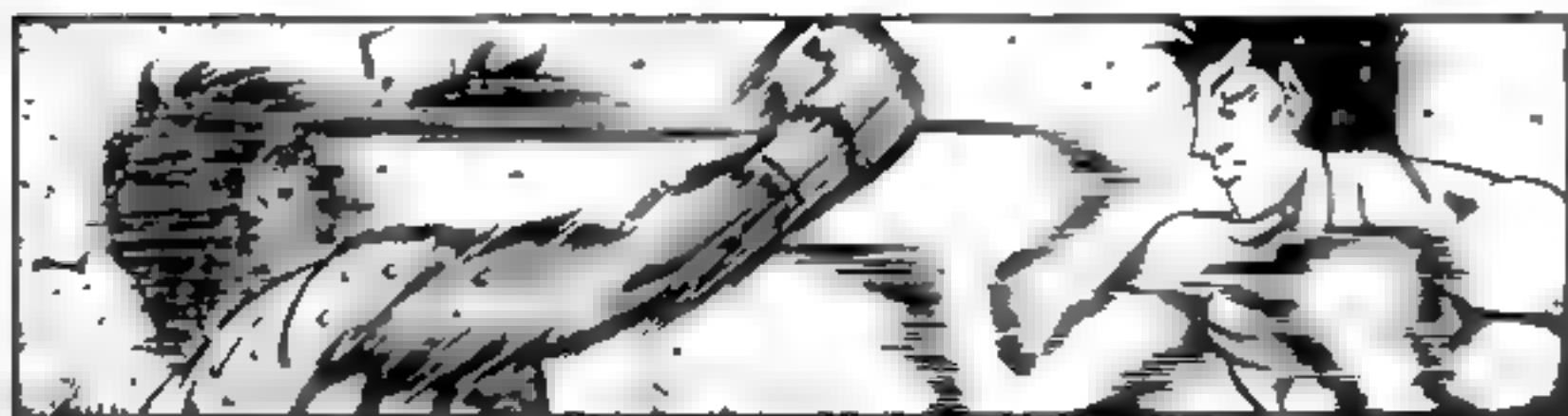
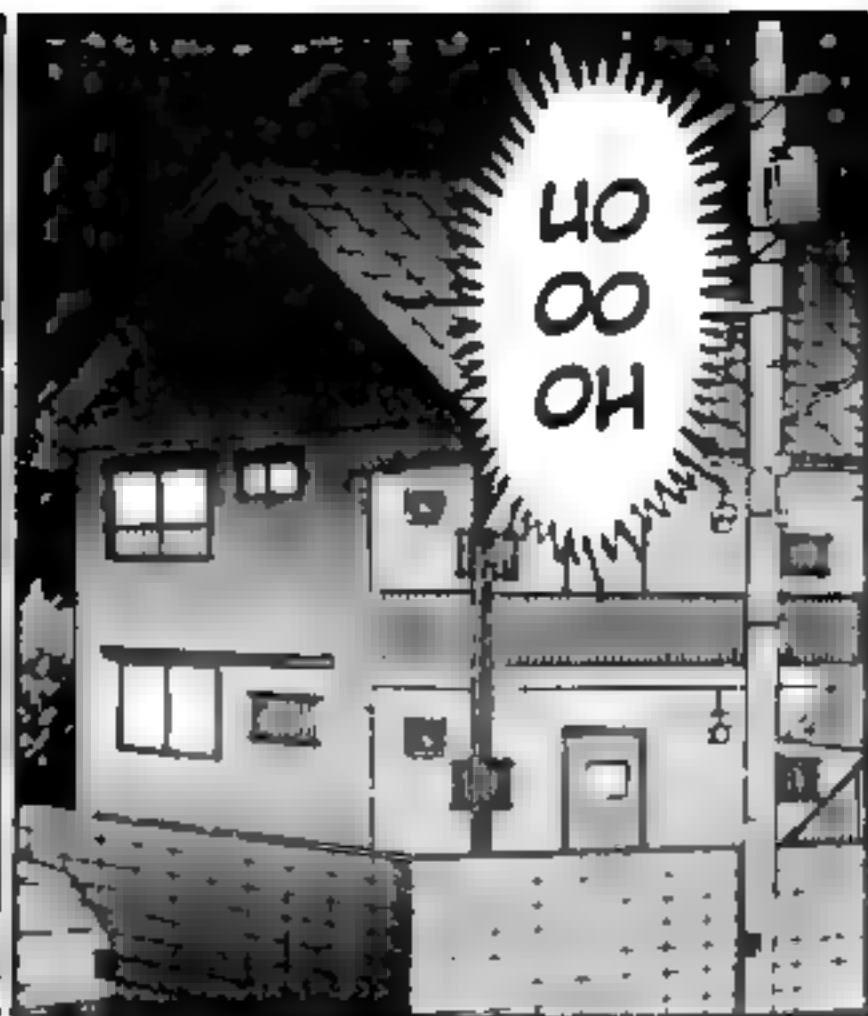
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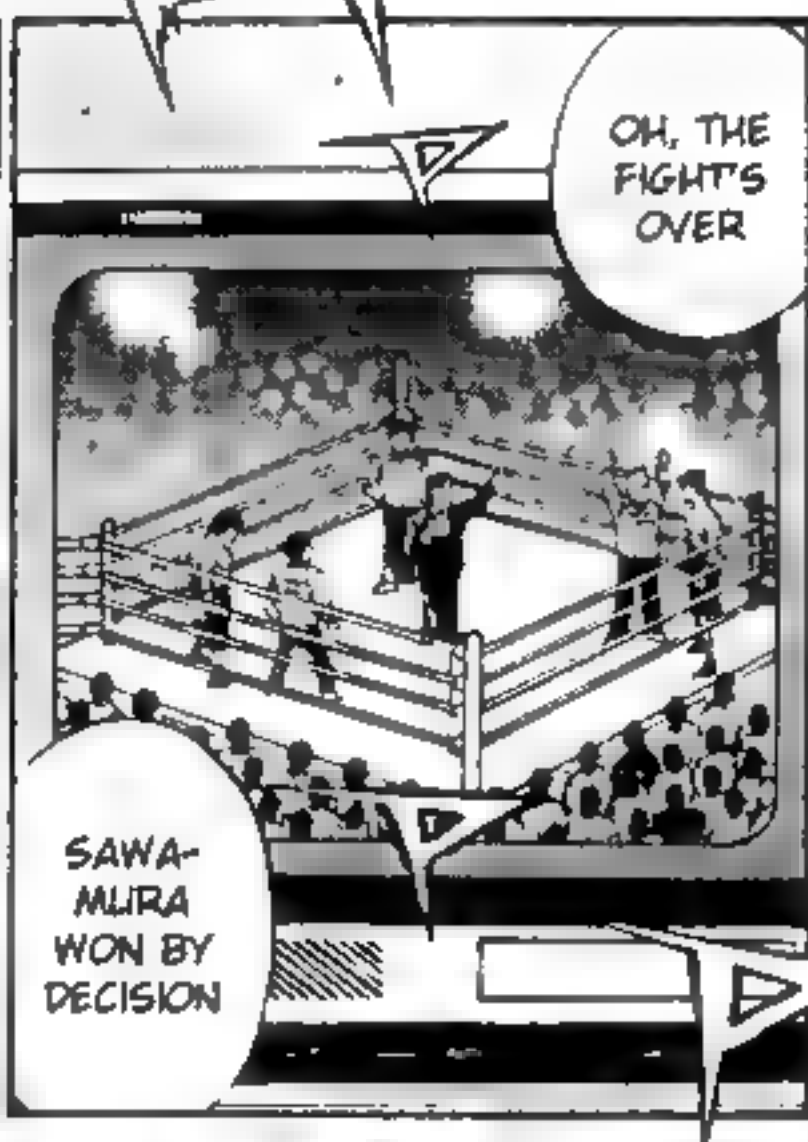
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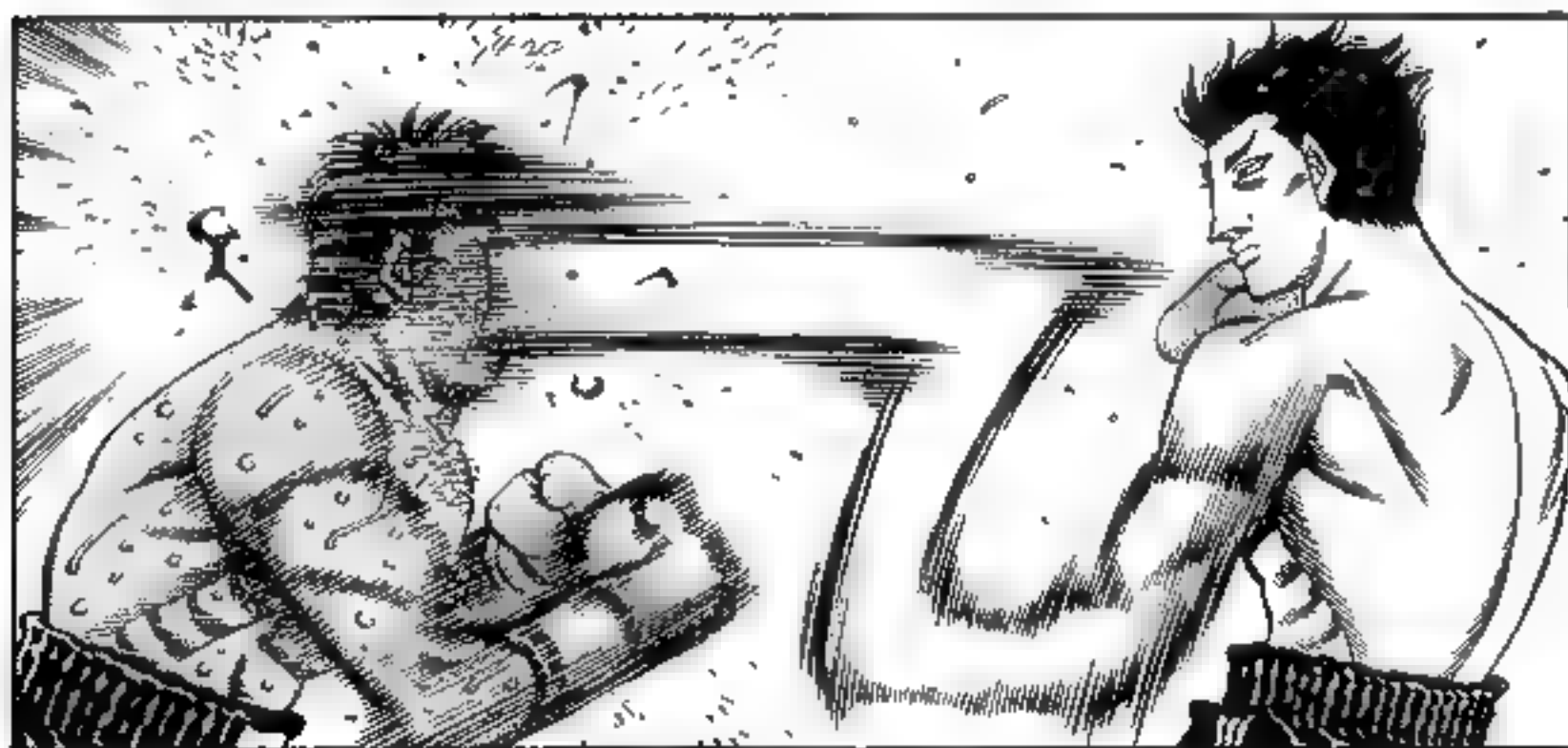


**Round 466**

**Evil Boxer**









BUT IT'S  
ALMOST LIKE  
HE THROWS  
IT BEFORE  
HIS OPPO-  
NENT EVEN  
STARTS TO  
MOVE

NORMALLY  
COUNTERS  
CONNECT AT  
THE END  
OF THE  
PUNCHING  
MOVEMENT



AND WHEN  
YOU CAN'T  
HIT HIM  
AGAIN, HE  
COMES AT  
YOU WITH A  
BIG ONE

HE CON-  
TINUOUSLY  
COUNTERS  
EVERY-  
THING YOU  
THROW AT  
HIM



HIS  
HANDS  
ARE LIKE  
LIGHT-  
NING

HE HAS  
A RARE  
GIFT



MIYATA'S  
COUNTERS  
LOOK AS IF  
HE'S FIGHT-  
ING WITH  
HIS SOUL  
ON THE  
LINE

JUMPING  
INTO EVERY-  
THING YOUR  
OPPONENT  
DOES WITH  
YOUR ENTIRE  
BODY

HIS IS  
NOTHING  
LIKE MIYA-  
TA'S STYLE



THAT HE  
SHINES  
SO BRIL-  
LIANTLY

IT'S  
BECAUSE  
HE RISKS  
EVERY-  
THING





BUT IT'S  
LIKE SAWA-  
MURA SUCKS  
UP ALL THAT  
LIGHT

AND  
HE'S SUR-  
ROUNDED  
BY DARK-  
NESS



OH,  
LET'S  
SEE IT



I HAVE  
ONE  
WHERE  
HE'S HIT  
A FEW  
TIMES



YOU HAVE ANY  
FIGHTS WHERE  
HE LOSES?  
THIS IS CREE-  
PY

SOME-  
ONE  
THAT  
KICKS  
HIS ASS



WHAT  
THE HELL,  
HE'S DOMI-  
NATING IT

HOLD  
ON, IT'S  
COMING  
UP



LO







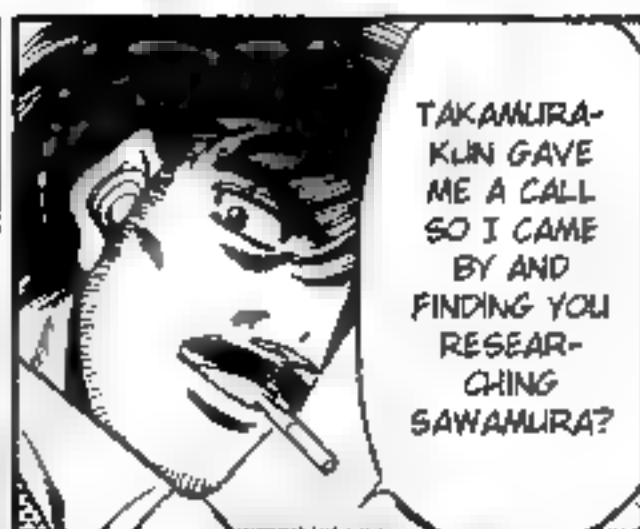




11  
FIGHTS,  
9 WINS,  
2 LOS-  
SES,  
4 KOS

HIS 2  
LOSSES  
ARE DIS-  
QUALIFI-  
CATIONS

AND HIS  
LACK OF  
KOS ARE  
AS YOU'RE  
PROBABLY  
SUSPECT-  
ING



TAKAMURA-  
KUN GAVE  
ME A CALL  
SO I CAME  
BY AND  
FINDING YOU  
RESEAR-  
CHING  
SAWAMURA?



WHAT  
KIND OF  
PERSON  
IS HE?

WH-  
...



NO  
WON-  
DER I  
DIDN'T  
KNOW  
HIM

SO HE  
LOST THE  
ROOKIE  
KINGS BY  
DISQUALI-  
FICATION



YOU'D  
THINK HE'D  
MAKE A  
REPUTA-  
TION FOR  
HIMSELF

NO,  
IT'S RARE  
TO SEE  
GLYS THIS  
NASTY



HE  
PLAYS  
WITH  
PEOPLE  
!

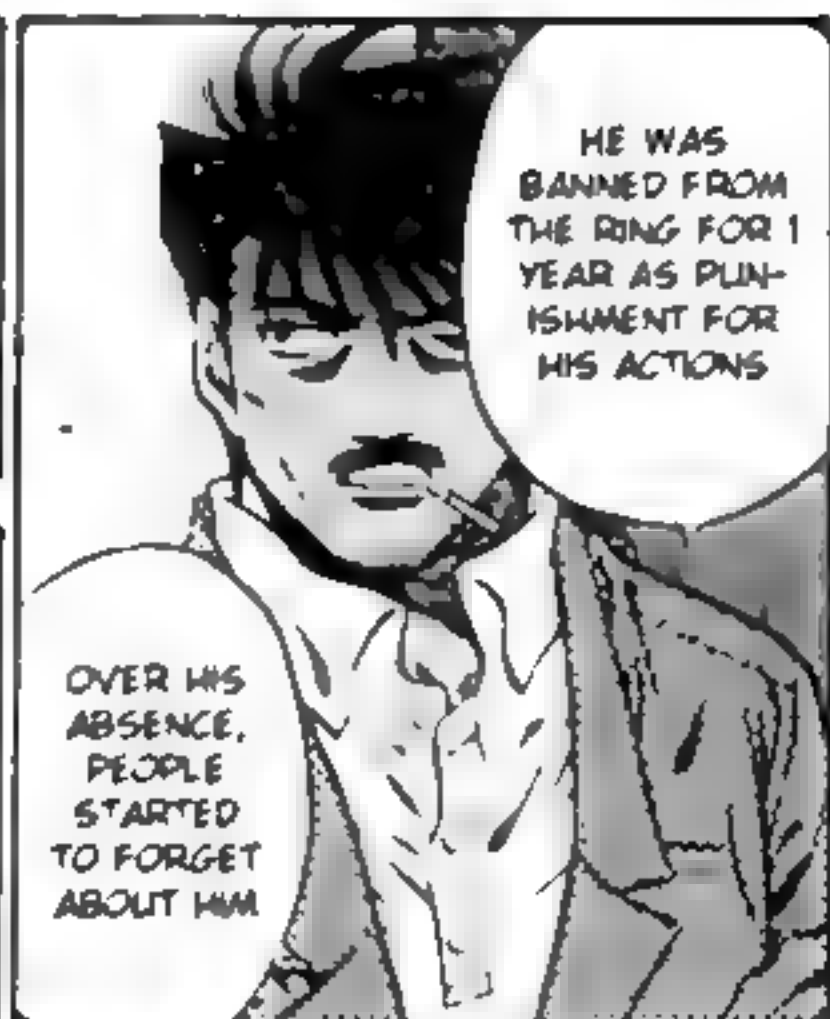


CAN BE  
FOUND  
EVERY-  
WHERE

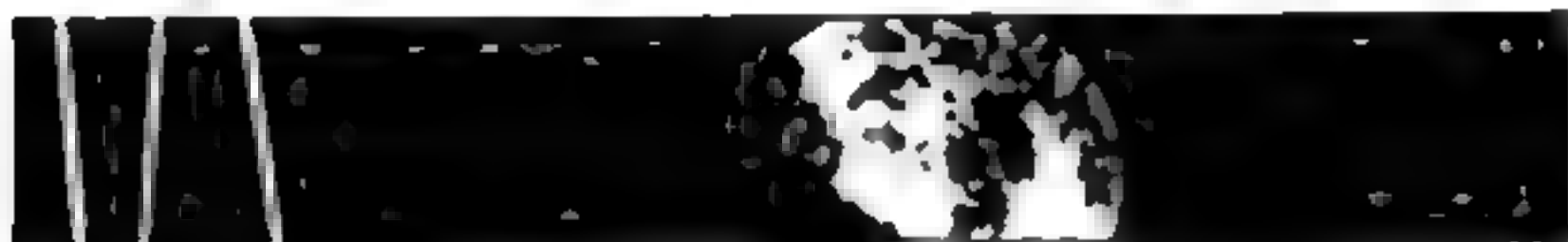
THE  
ONES  
HE'S  
HURT

AT TRAIN  
STATIONS,  
DOCKS,  
STREET  
CORNERS,  
BACK  
ALLEYS

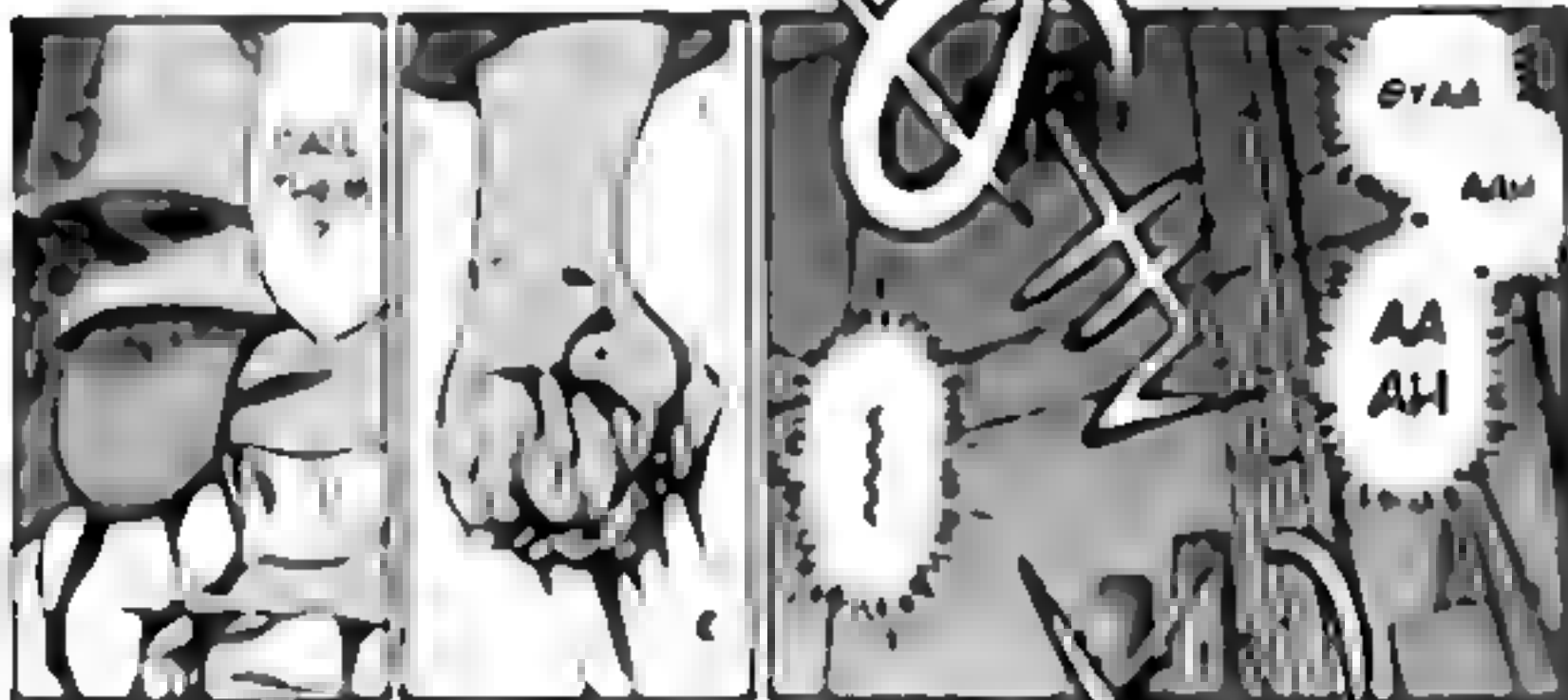
HIS NAS-  
TINESS  
DOESN'T  
JUST  
STAY IN  
THE RING



















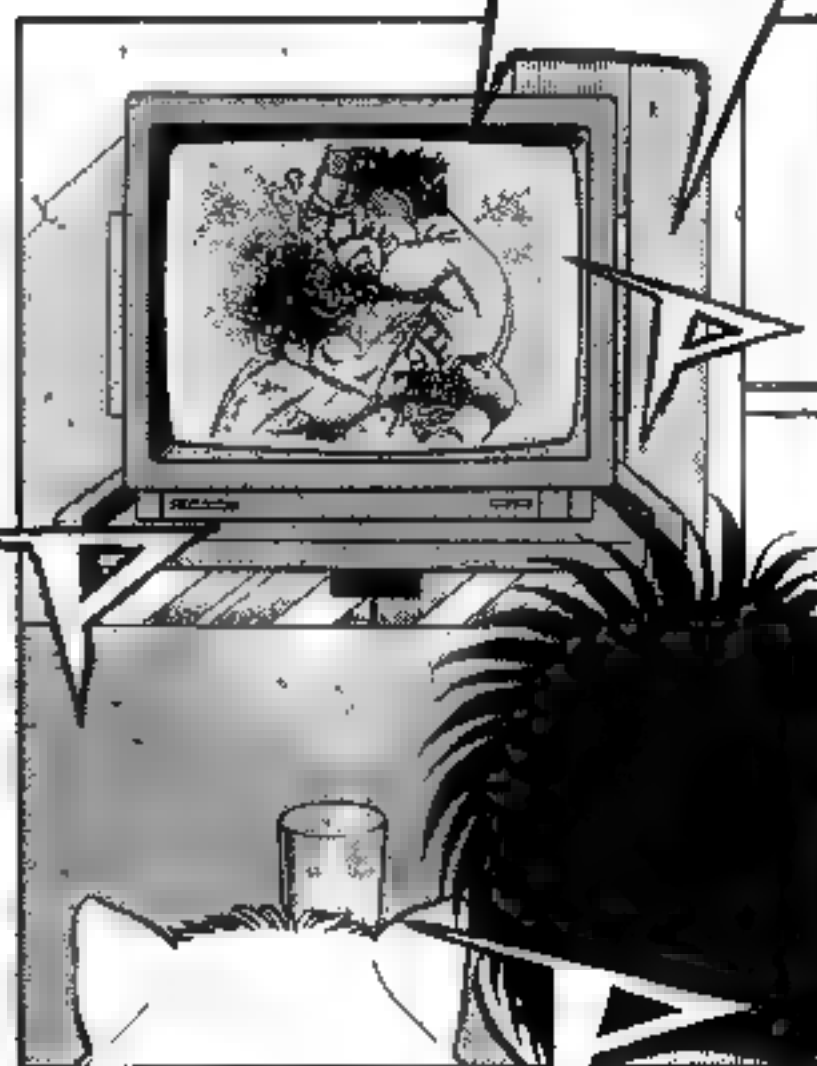






# はじめての一步





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**はじめての**  
**THE FIGHTING!**



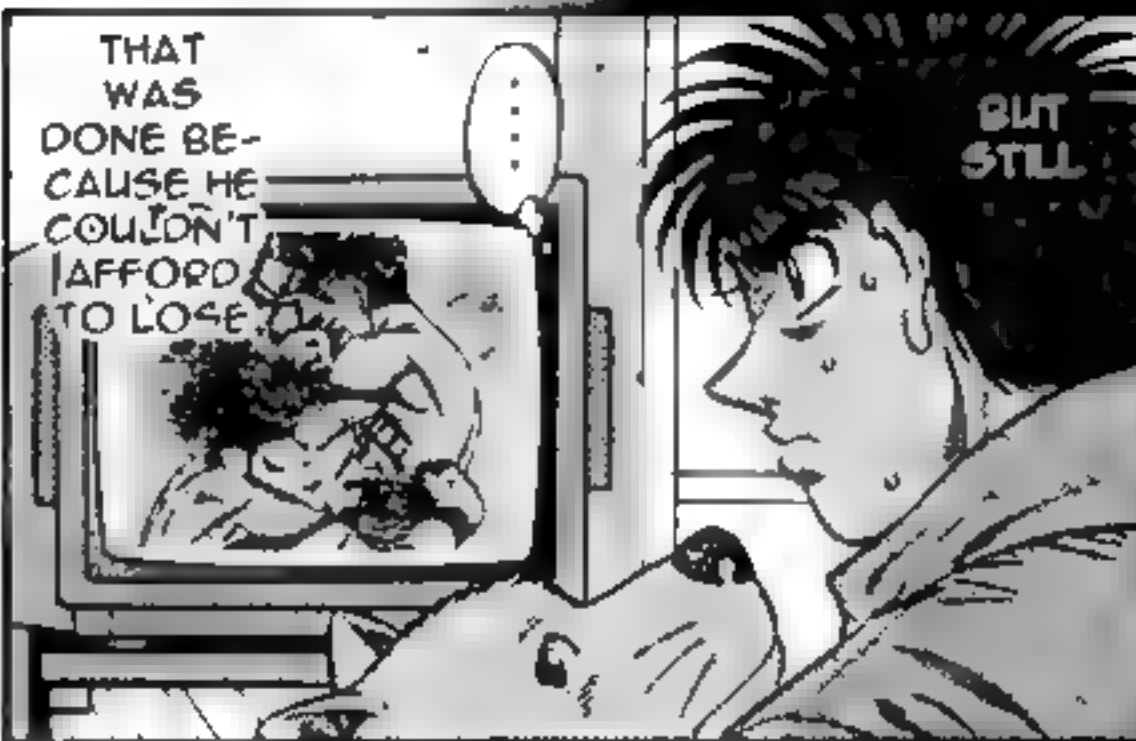
**Round 467 Starving Dog**



MASHIBA-  
SAN  
STEPPED  
ON  
MIYATA-  
CKUN'S  
FOOT.

THAT WAS  
SOME-  
THING HE  
NEVER  
SHOULD  
HAVE DONE

た



THAT  
WAS  
DONE BE-  
CAUSE HE  
COULDN'T  
AFFORD  
TO LOSE

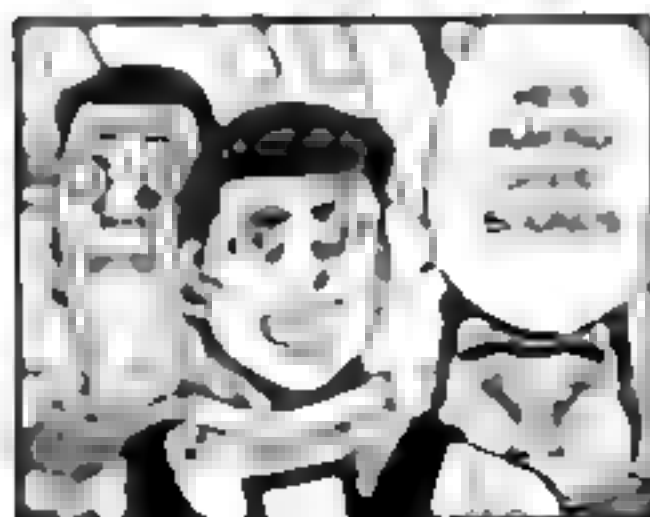
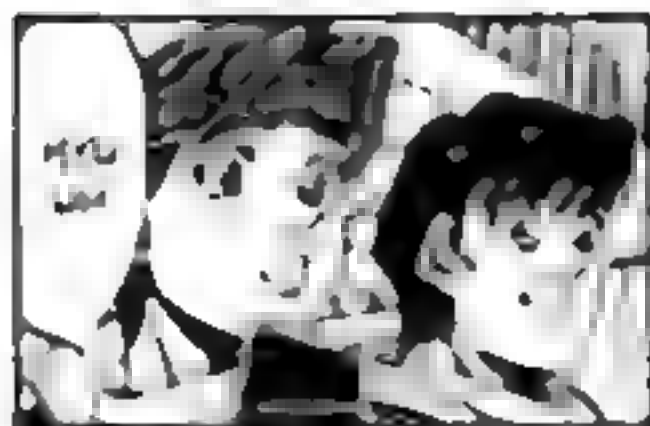
BUT  
STILL



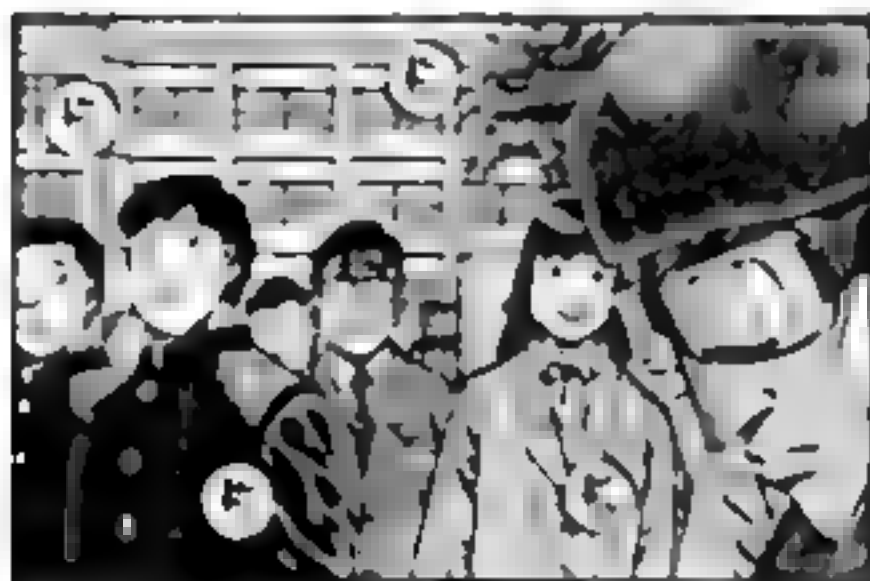
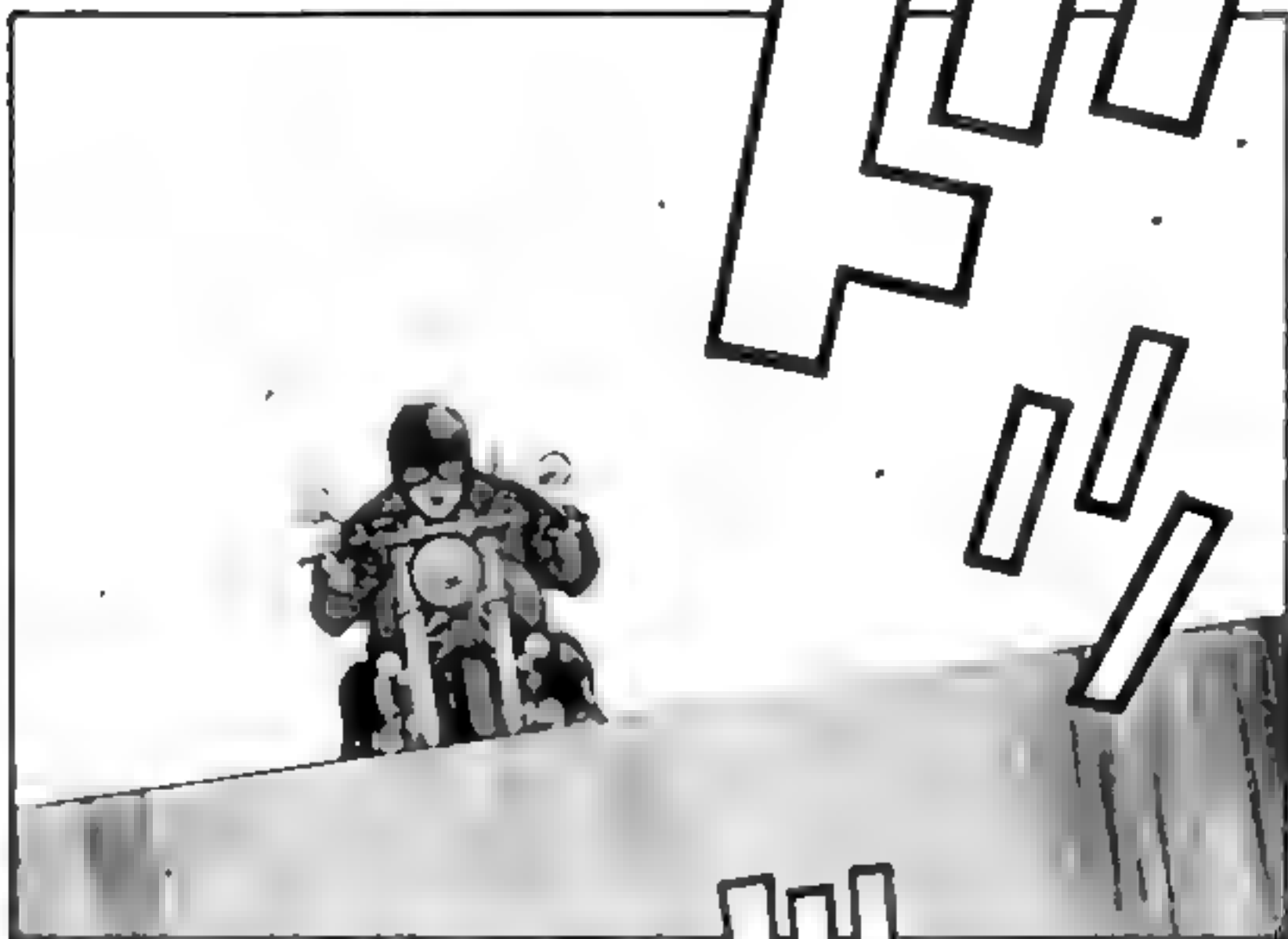


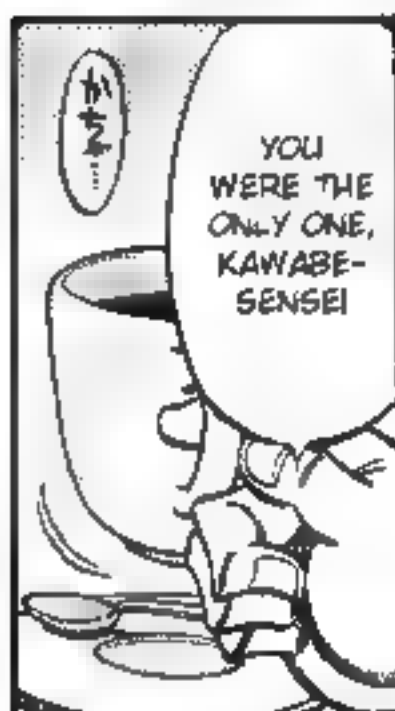
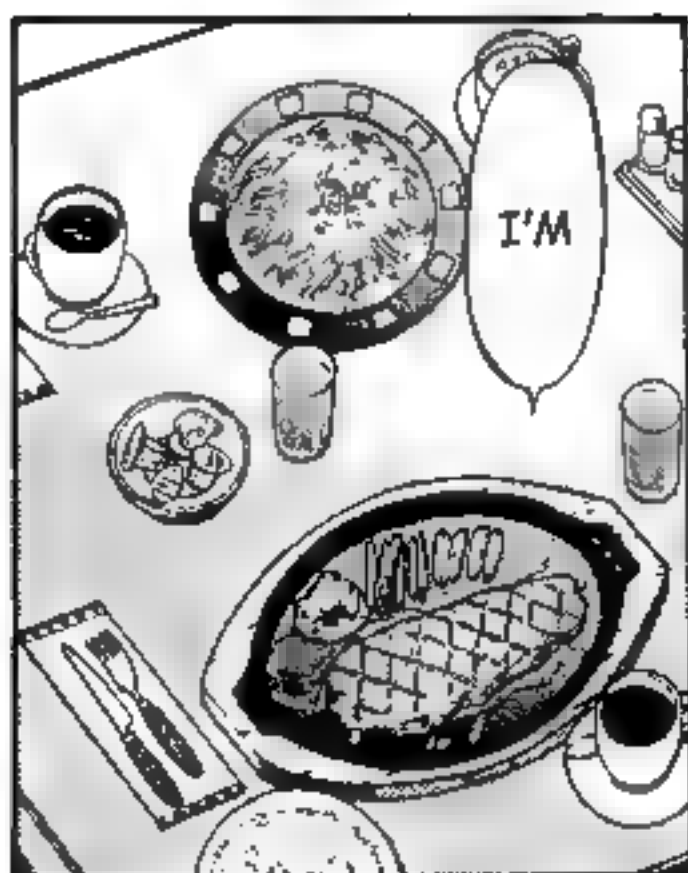






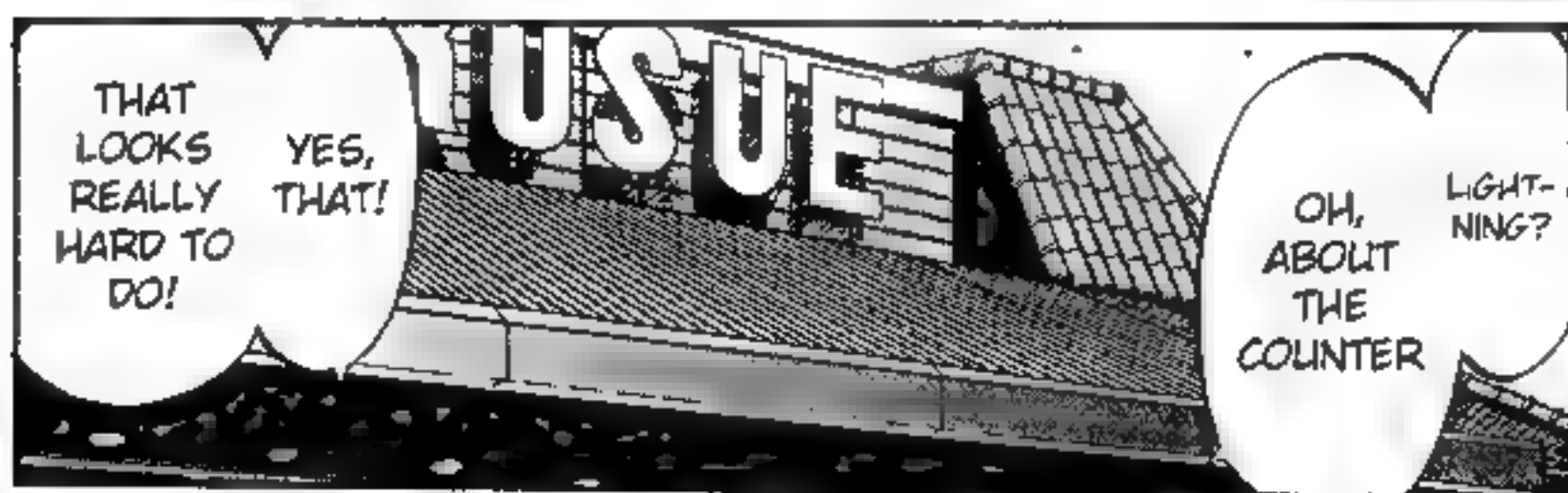
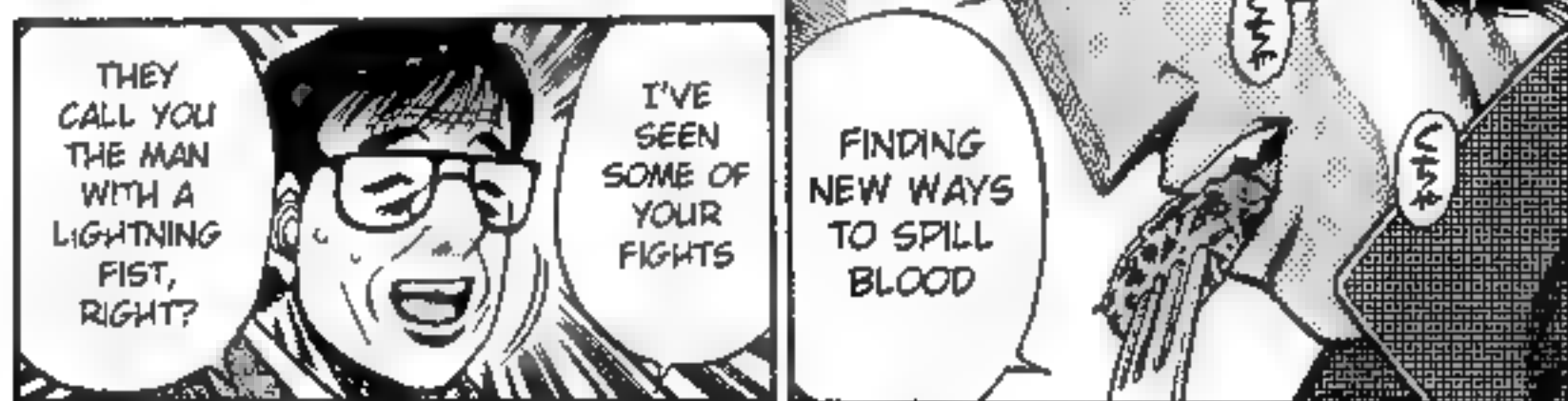


















YOU CAN  
FEEL THE  
OPPONENT'S  
FLESH TWICE  
AS CLEARLY

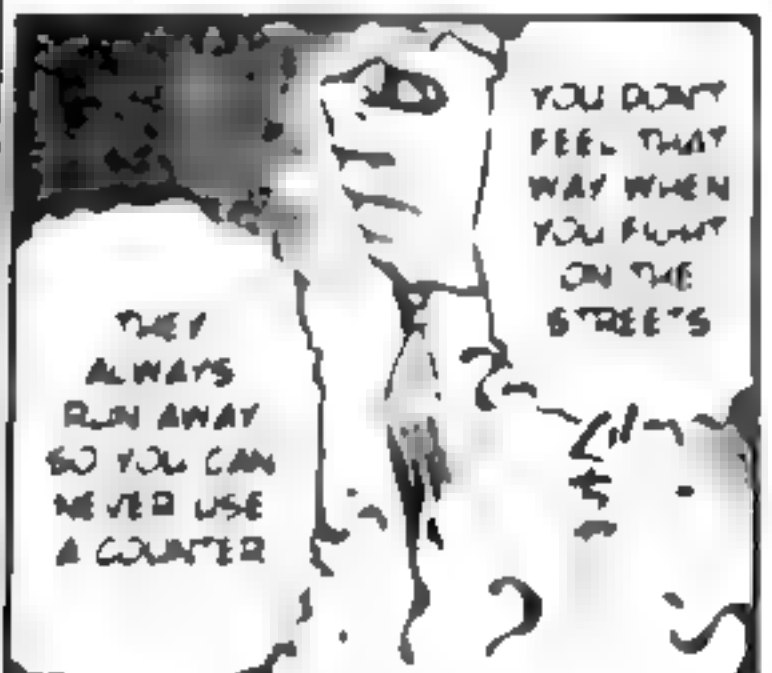
HITTING  
GUYS  
IS THE  
GREATEST



THEY  
GOTTA WIN,  
SO THEY  
KEEP  
COMING

BUT  
BOXERS  
ARE SO  
DAMN  
STUPID

AND I  
JUST KEEP  
FEELING  
THEIR FLESH  
UNTIL I  
CAN TASTE  
IT!!



THEY  
ALWAYS  
RUN AWAY  
SO YOU CAN  
NEVER USE  
A COUNTER

YOU DON'T  
FEEL THAT  
WAY WHEN  
YOU FIGHT  
ON THE  
STREET'S



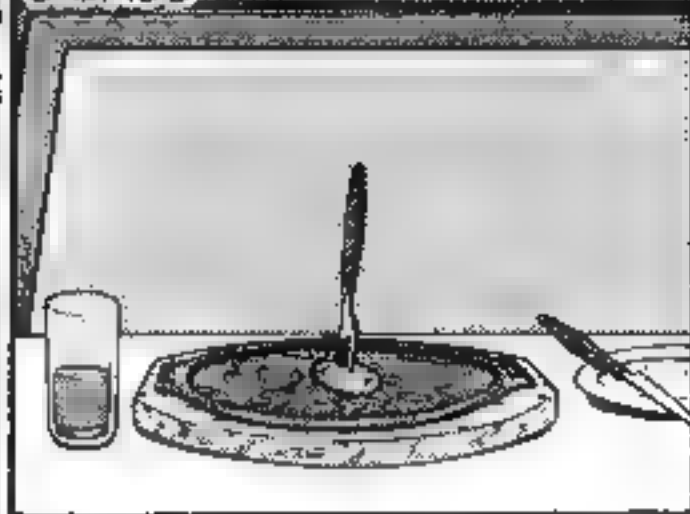
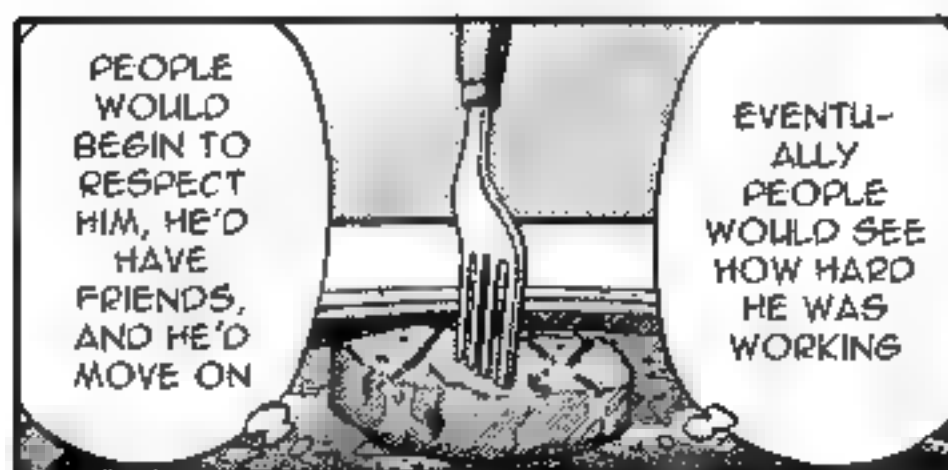
I WONDER  
HOW THE  
JAPANESE  
CHAMPION'S  
FLESH  
FEELS?

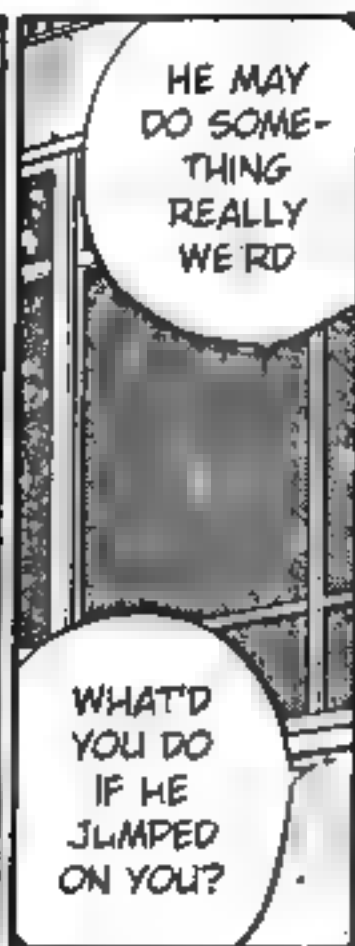
IS IT  
TOUGH?  
OR MAYBE  
IT'S  
TENDER?



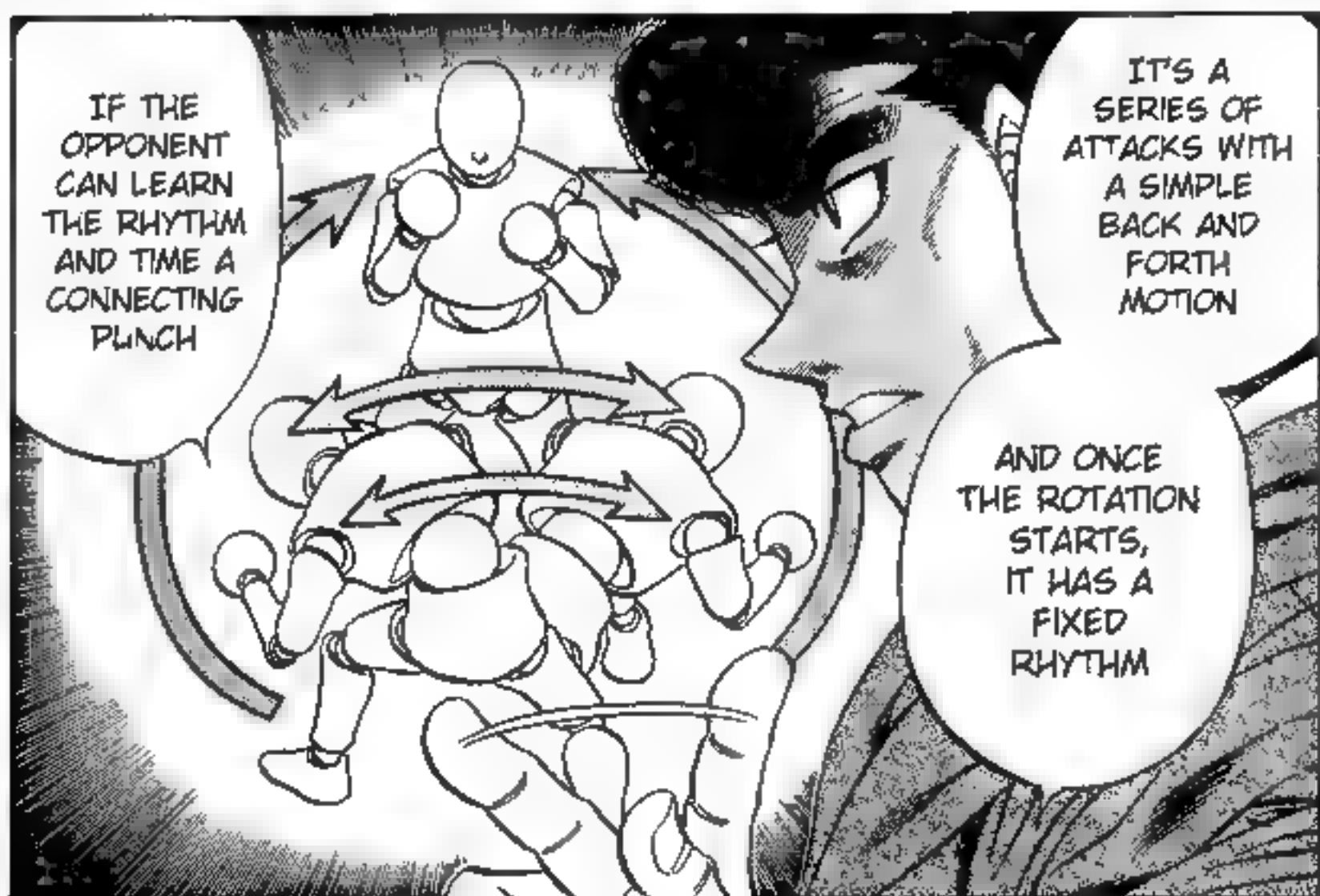
KU  
KU  
KU



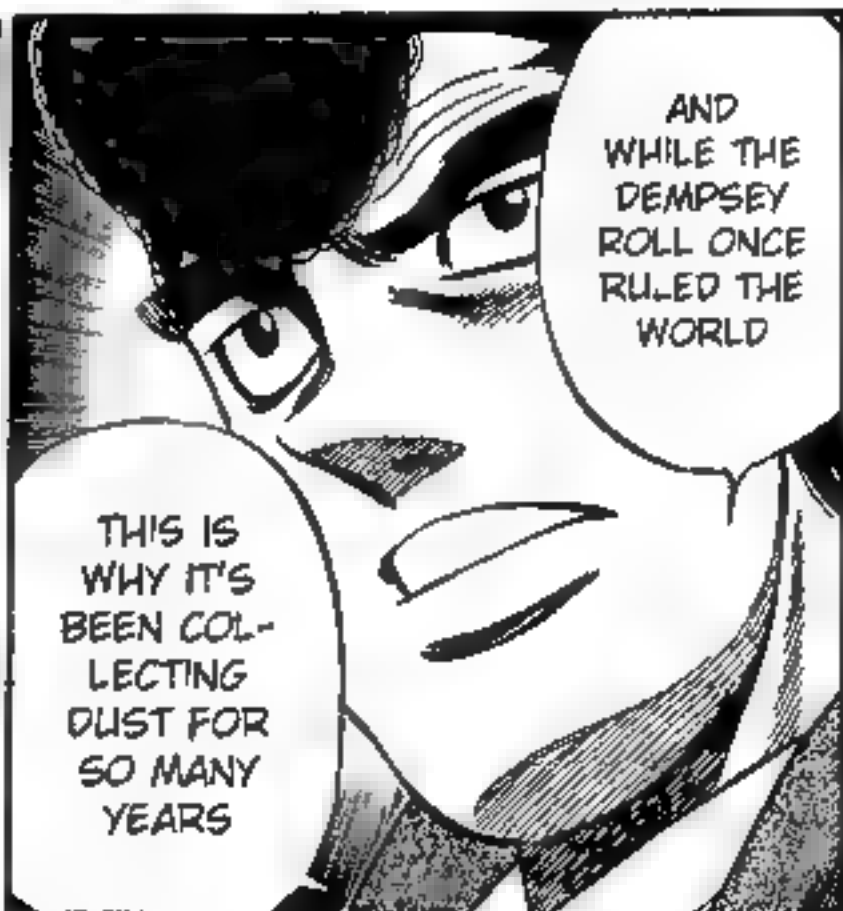
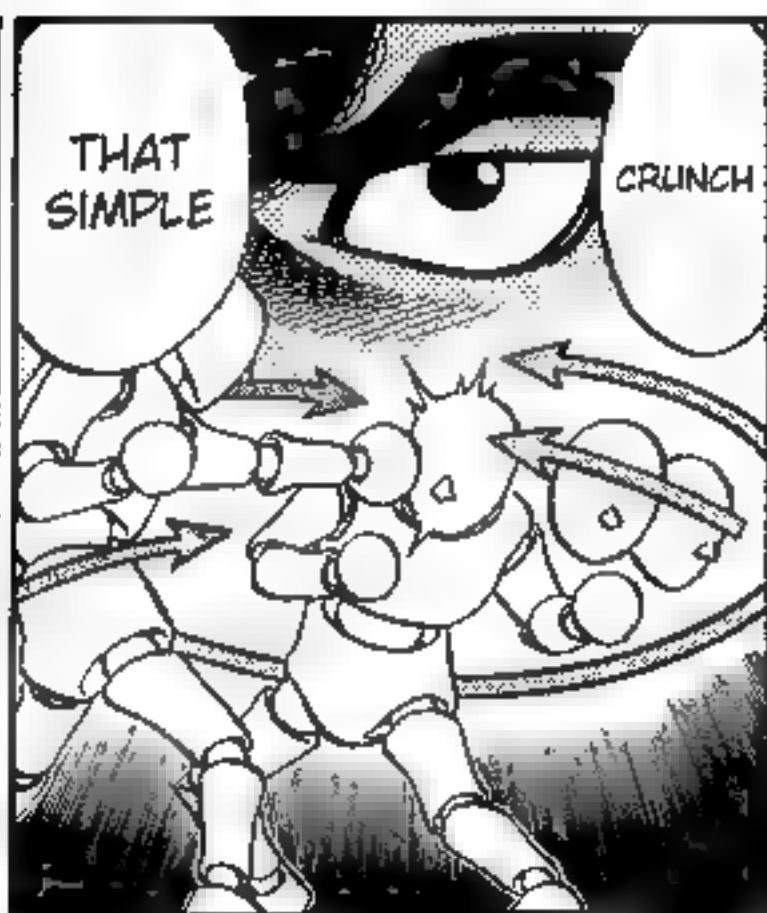






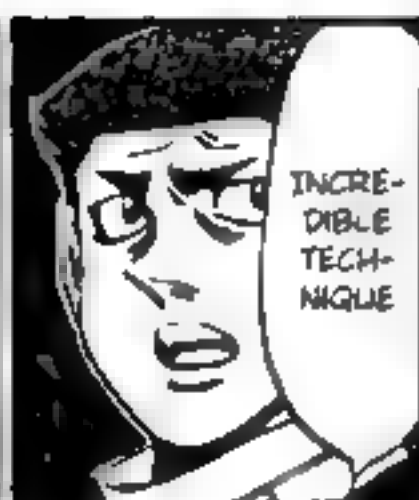








AND  
NEVER-  
ENDING  
COUR-  
AGE.



INCRE-  
DIBLE  
TECH-  
NIQUE



IN THIS  
COUN-  
TRY...

I THOUGHT  
MIYATA  
WOULD BE  
THE ONLY  
ONE  
CAPABLE



IF HE HAS  
THE CONFI-  
DENCE TO  
CALL IT  
CLUMSY,  
THEN HE  
CAN RUSH  
INTO IT

I'M  
SURE  
SAWA-  
MURA-  
SAN CAN  
DO IT,  
TOO



I'D PREFER  
TO BET IT  
ALL ON THE  
DEMPSEY  
ROLL!

IF MY  
CHANCES  
ARE POOR  
REGARD-  
LESS

...BUT IF WE  
TAKE AWAY MY  
TECHNIQUES,  
SAWAMURA-  
SAN IS A  
SUPERIOR  
BOXER



THIS  
TECH-  
NIQUE IS  
ALL I  
HAVE...



BE-  
CAUSE



I WANT  
TO BEAT  
HIM!!

I WANT  
HIM TO  
FALL  
BEFORE  
IT!



SO I  
NEED TO  
FACE IT

I KNOW THAT  
OTHER PEOPLE  
BESIDES  
SAWAMURA-  
SAN ARE PLAN-  
NING TO FIGHT  
THE DEADSEY  
ROLL DIRECTLY



AT  
LEAST  
HE'S  
PLUMPED  
UP  
ABOUT IT

HE  
SAYS  
HE  
WANTS  
TO WIN



AND IF  
IT CAN'T  
STAND UP  
TO MODERN  
BOXING,  
THEN I  
NEED TO  
FIX THAT!



YOUR  
BETS  
HAVE BAD  
ODDS,  
YOU  
KNOW?



# はじめての一步

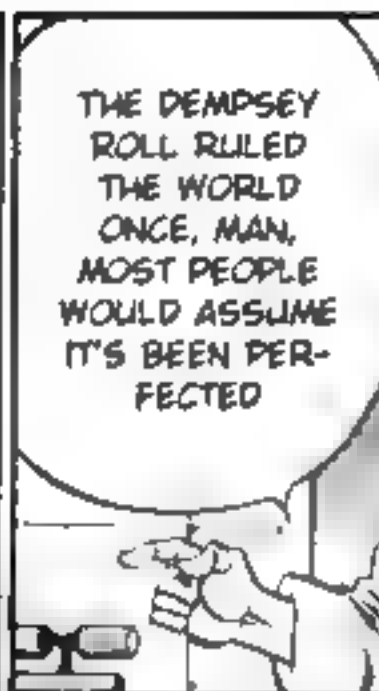








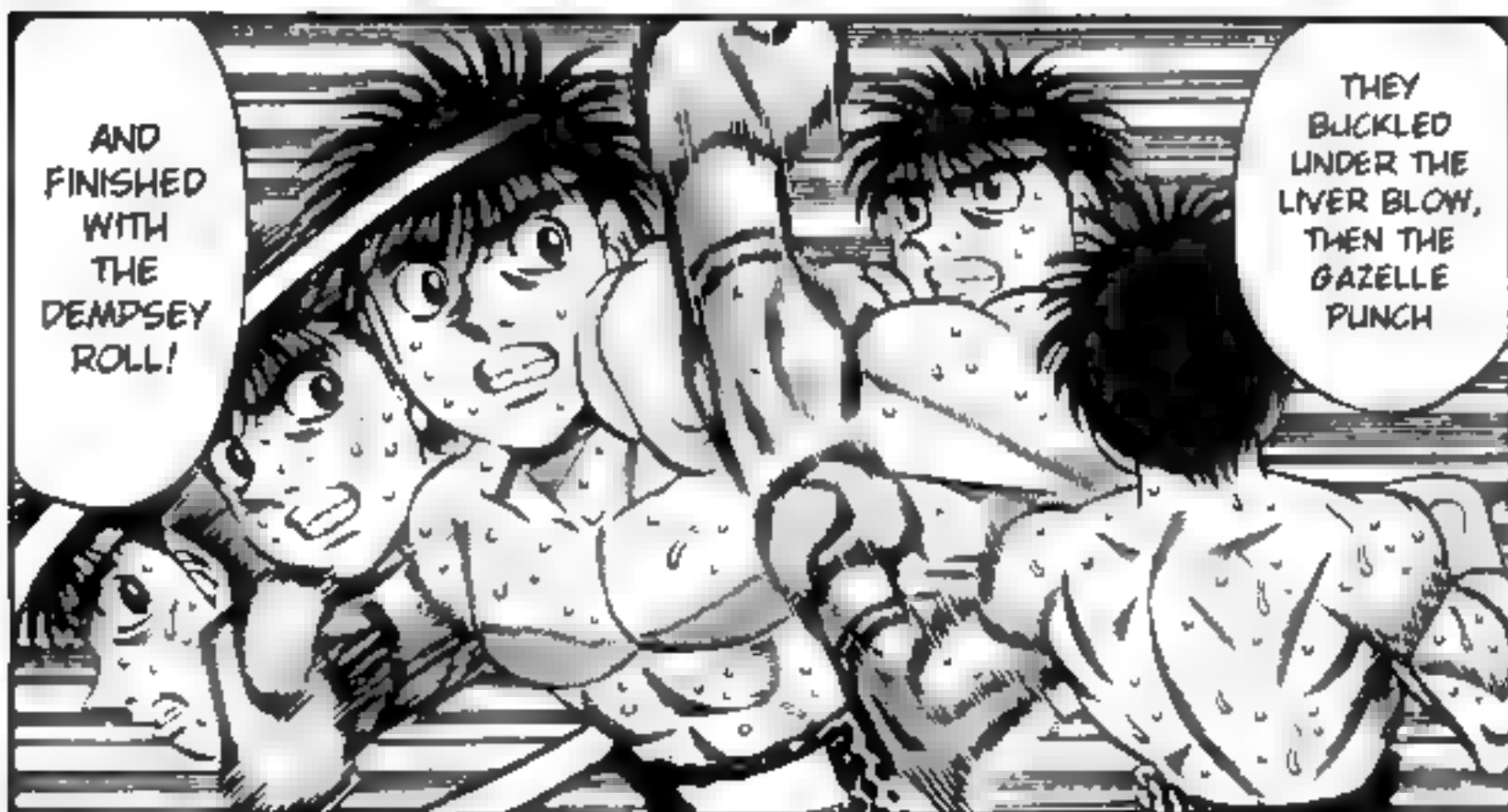
AND THE  
PATTERN  
YOU USED  
TO BEAT  
SENDOLI AND  
SAWADA WAS  
AWESOME



THE DEMPSEY  
ROLL RULED  
THE WORLD  
ONCE, MAN,  
MOST PEOPLE  
WOULD ASSUME  
IT'S BEEN PER-  
FECTED



BUT  
HOW'RE  
YOU  
GOING TO  
CHANGE  
IT?



AND  
FINISHED  
WITH  
THE  
DEMPSEY  
ROLL!

THEY  
BUCKLED  
UNDER THE  
LIVER BLOW,  
THEN THE  
GAZELLE  
PUNCH



I'M  
'EVOLV-  
ING' IT

I'M  
NOT  
JUST  
IMPROV-  
ING IT

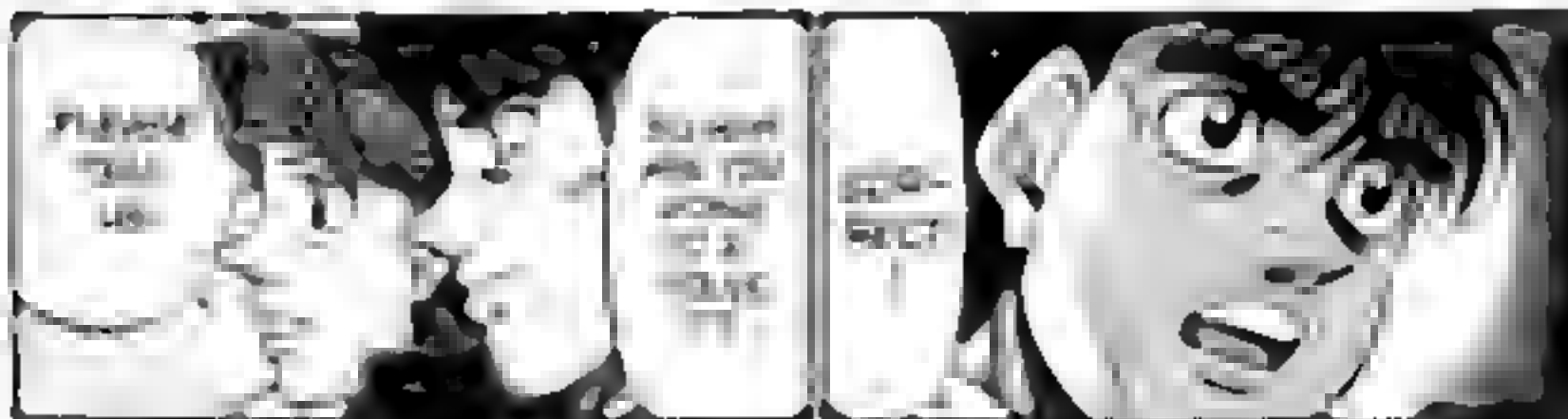
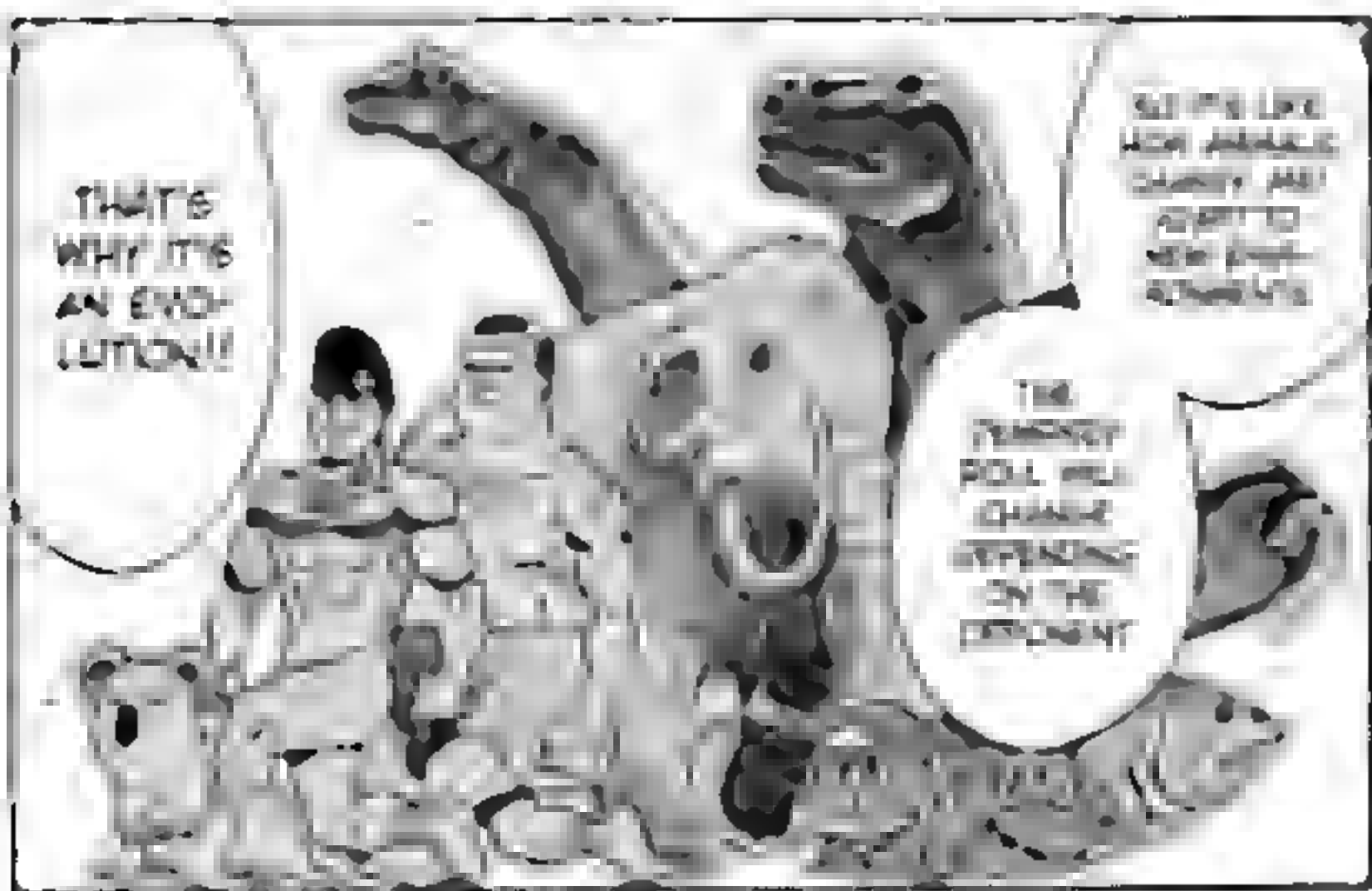
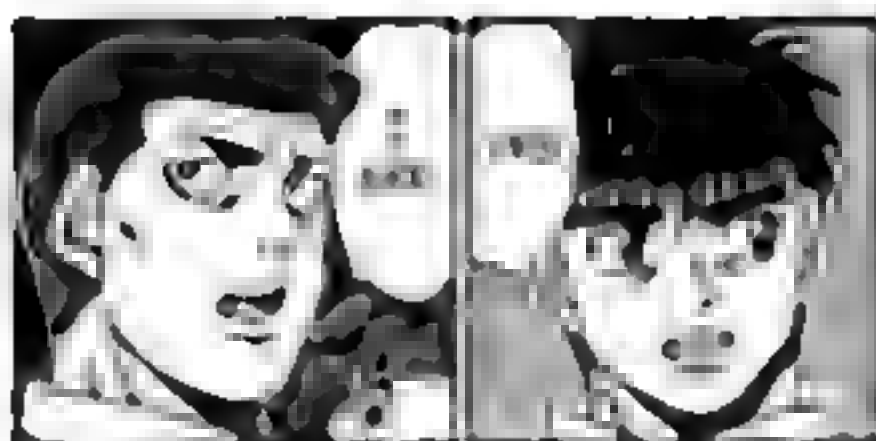
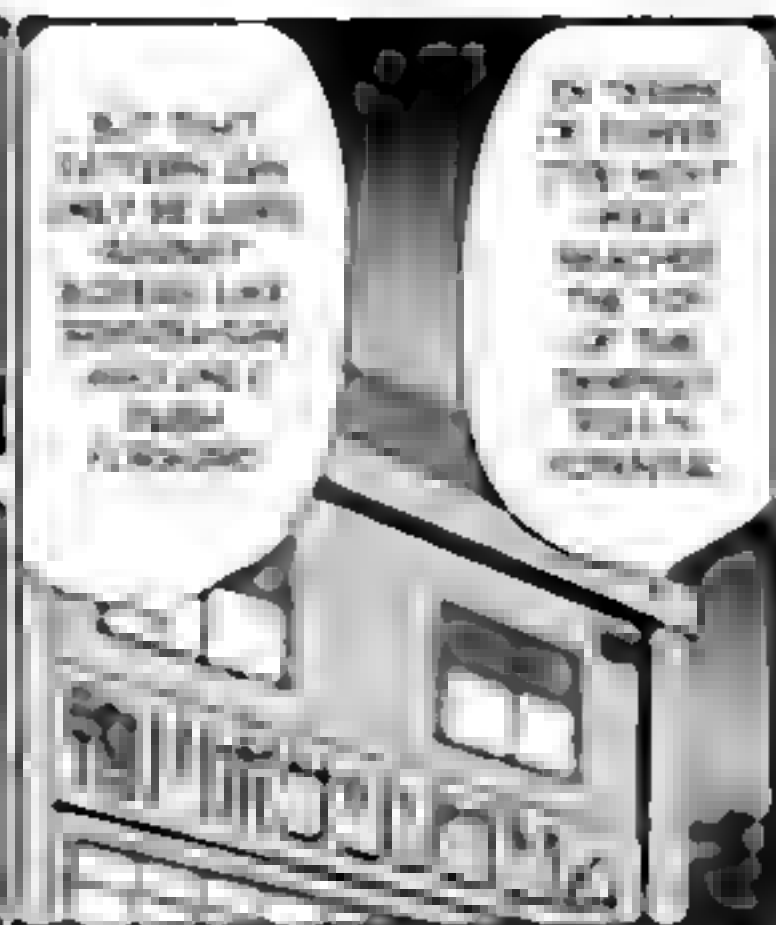


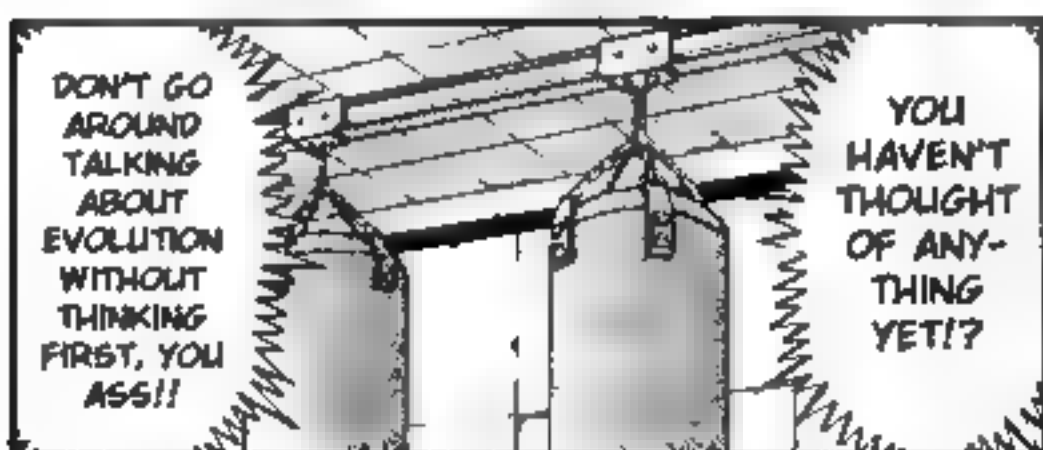
SO  
WE'RE  
MISSING  
THE  
POINT?



THOSE  
WERE  
INCREDIBLE  
KO'S, I  
JUST CAN'T  
IMAGINE  
ANYTHING  
BETTER  
THAN THAT

YOU  
REALLY  
THINK  
YOU CAN  
IMPROVE  
THAT TECH-  
NIQUE?

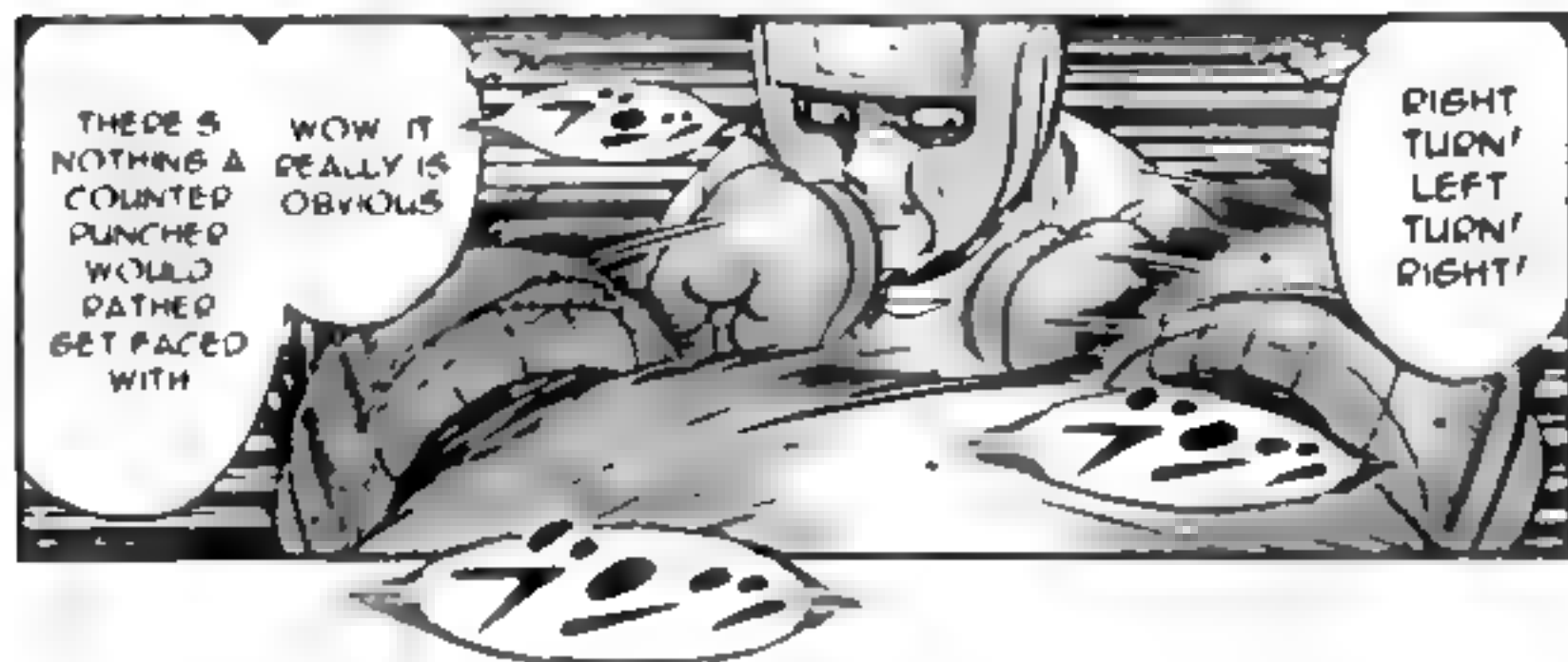
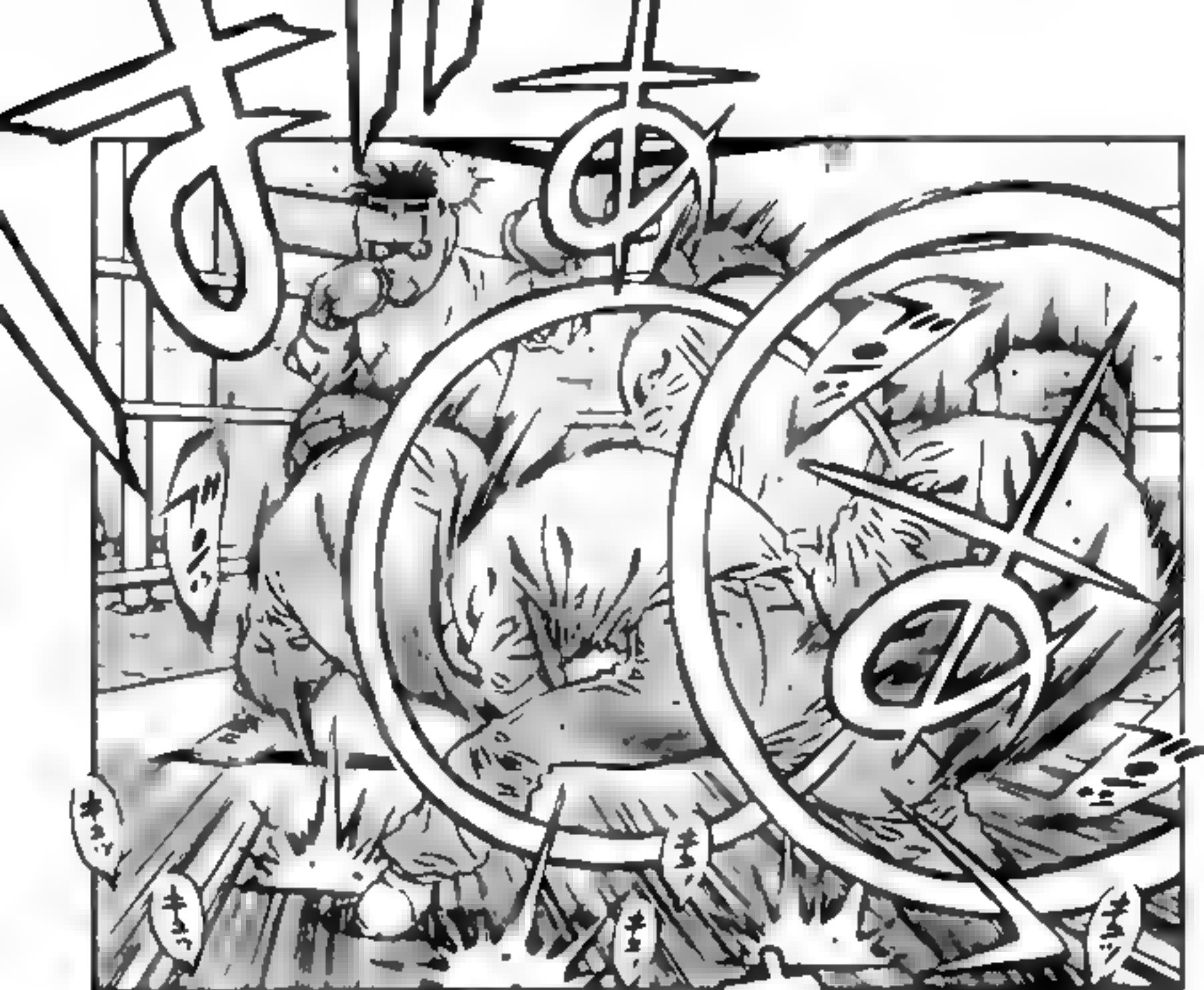






















WOULD  
BE OVER

THE  
SAWA-  
MURA  
FIGHT



I  
CAN'T ASK  
MIYATA-  
KUN TO DO  
SOMETHING  
LIKE THIS  
FOR ME

B-  
BUT



THAT'S  
WHY I SAID  
IT HAD  
TO BE  
SOMEONE  
LIKE  
MIYATA



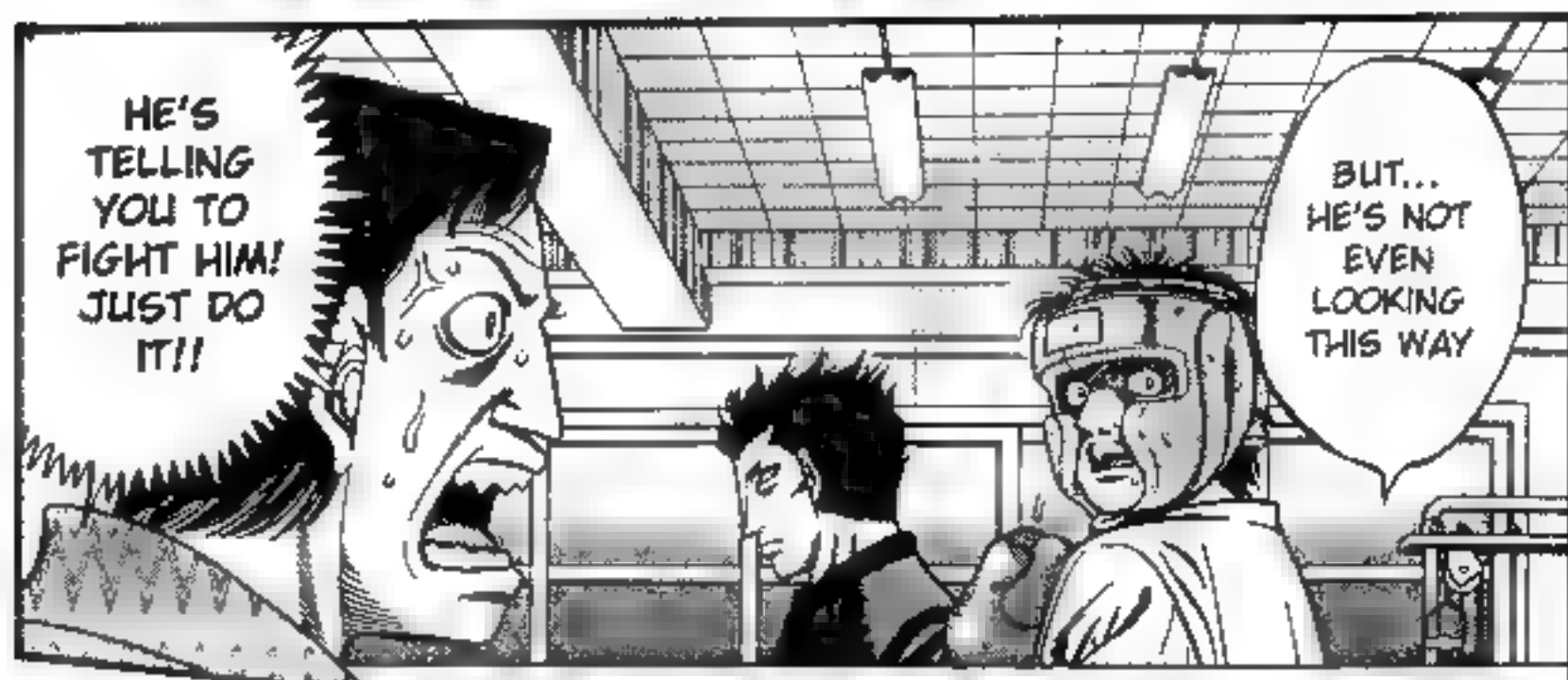
YOU  
DON'T  
HAVE ANY  
WAY TO  
TRAIN  
IT!!

KAMOGAWA  
DOYING

THE ONLY  
WAY TO  
BEAT SAWA-  
MURA IS TO  
EVOLVE THE  
DEMPSEY  
ROLL  
BUT  
THERE'S  
A FATAL  
FLAW IN  
THAT  
PLAN

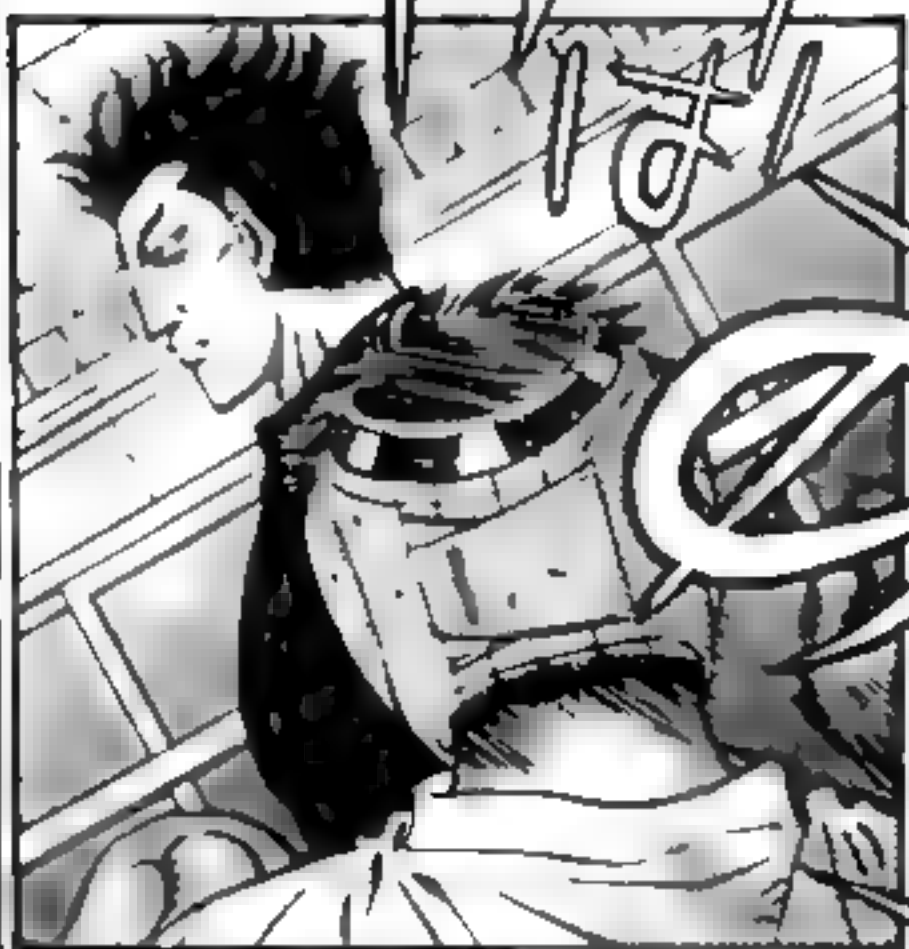


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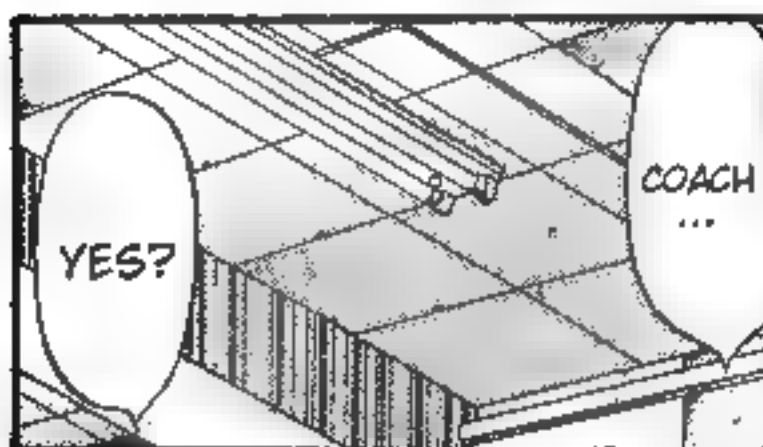
YOU  
CAN'T  
SEE THE  
PUNCH  
WHEN  
YOU'RE  
LOOKING  
TO THE  
SIDE  
RIGHT?













BUT  
NONE OF  
THIS WILL  
SATISFY  
HIM...



THANKS



SO HE'S  
COME UP  
WITH HIS  
STRATEGY  
AGAINST  
MAKUNO-  
CHI

HIS  
CALCULATED  
REQUESTS  
PROVE  
THAT HE'S  
WATCHED  
THE VIDEO  
COUNTLESS  
TIMES



I'LL  
HAVE  
THEM  
HERE

OK



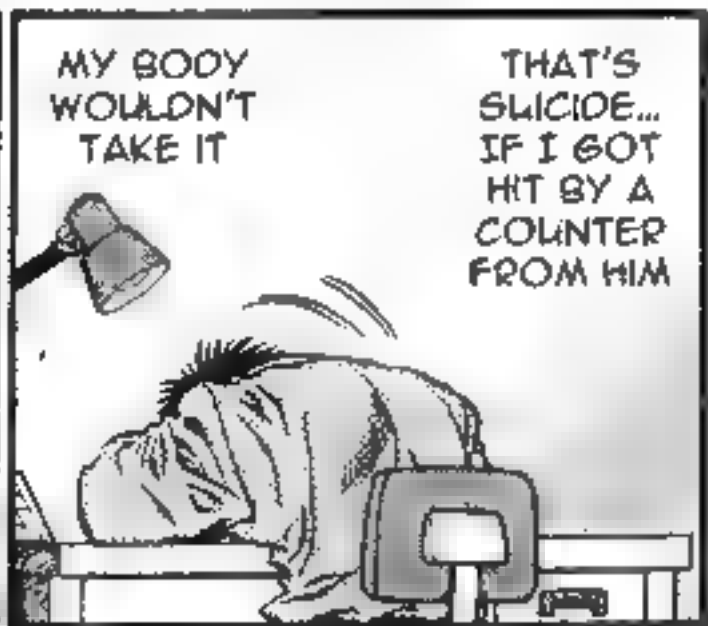
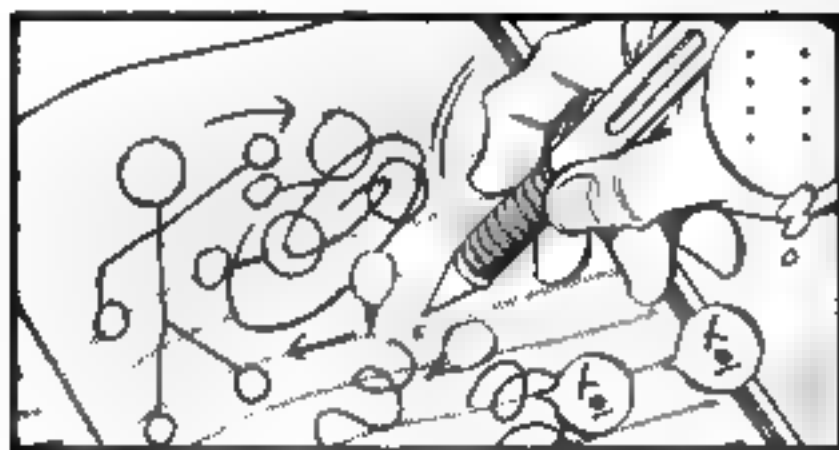
INSTEAD,  
THE MORE  
PEOPLE HE  
HATES, THE  
SHARPER HIS  
SENSES  
BECOME...

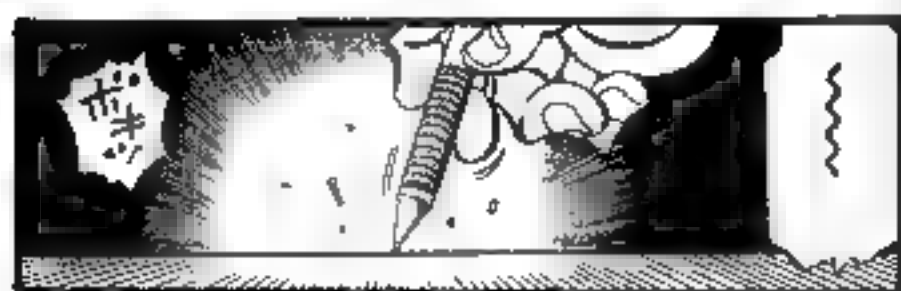
NO MATTER  
HOW MANY  
PEOPLE HE'S  
BEATEN  
BEFORE THIS  
MATCH, HIS  
HUNGER  
WON'T FADE



ON THE  
DAY  
OF THE  
TITLE  
MATCH

THE MAD  
DOG WILL  
UNSHEATH  
HIS FANGS!!





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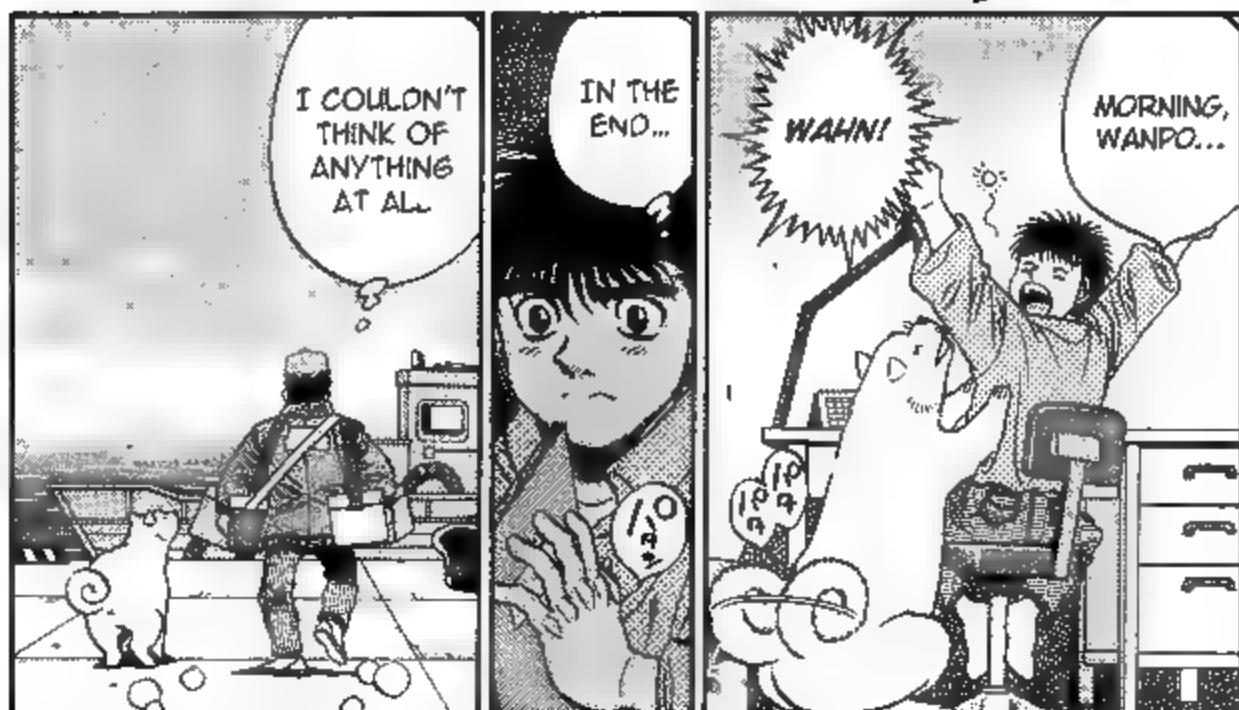


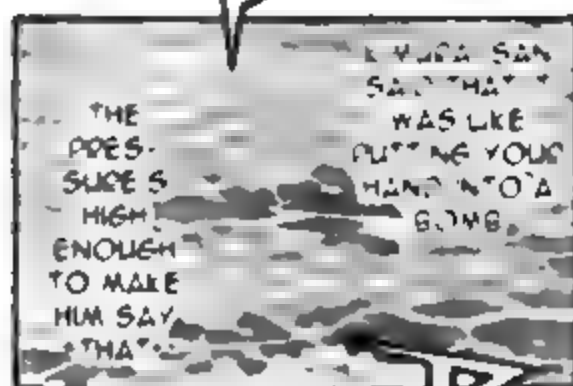


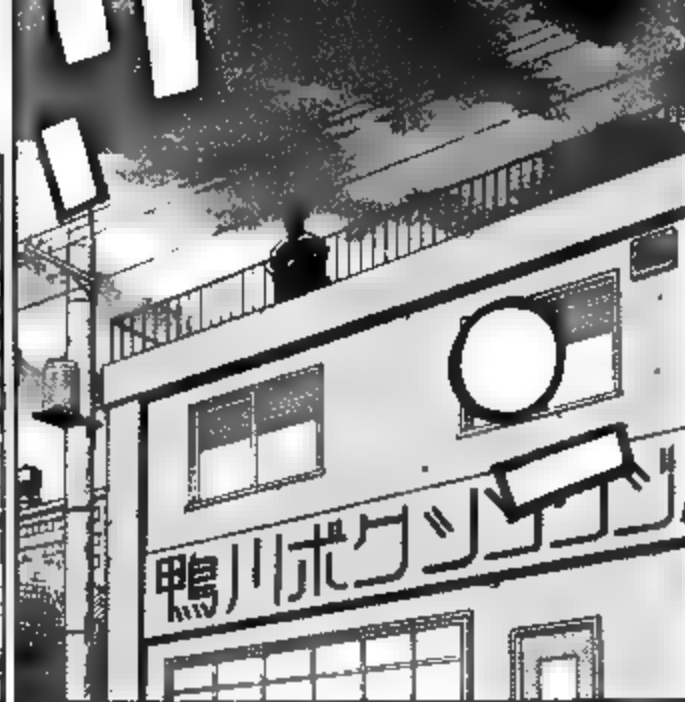


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# はじめての THE FIGHTING! 一歩





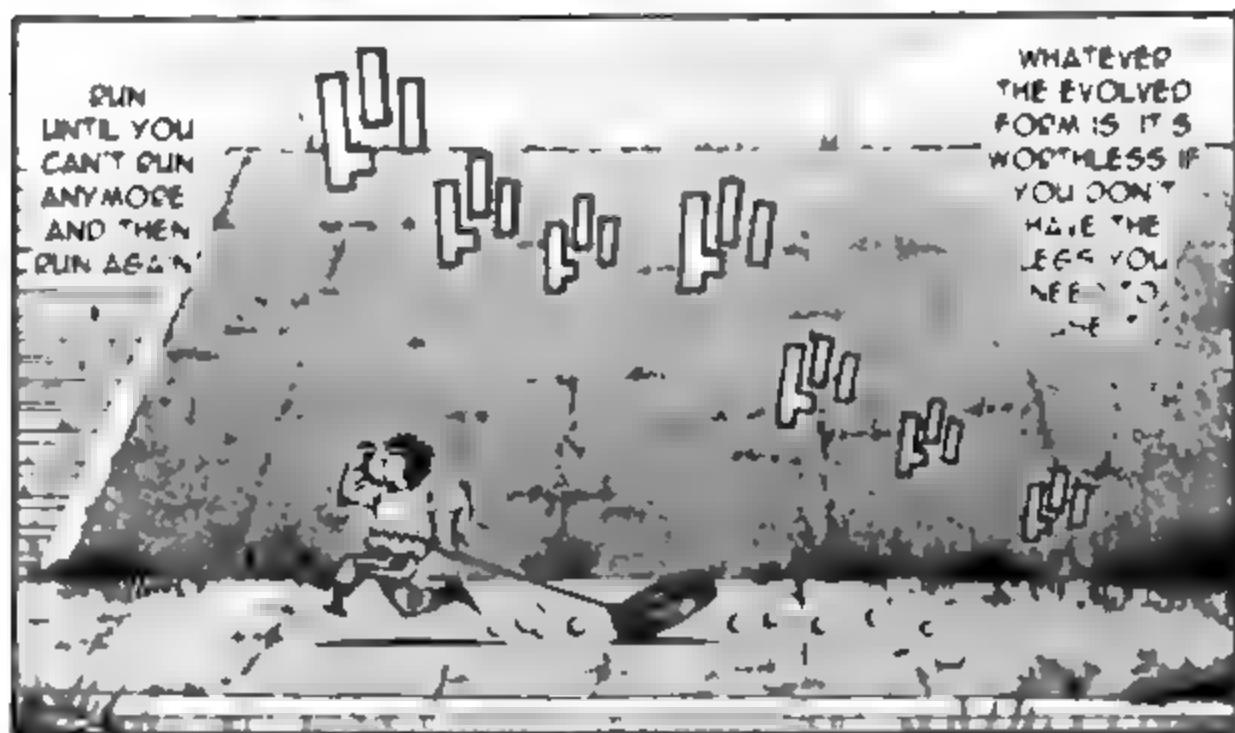


YOUR  
FOCUS  
IS DOWN

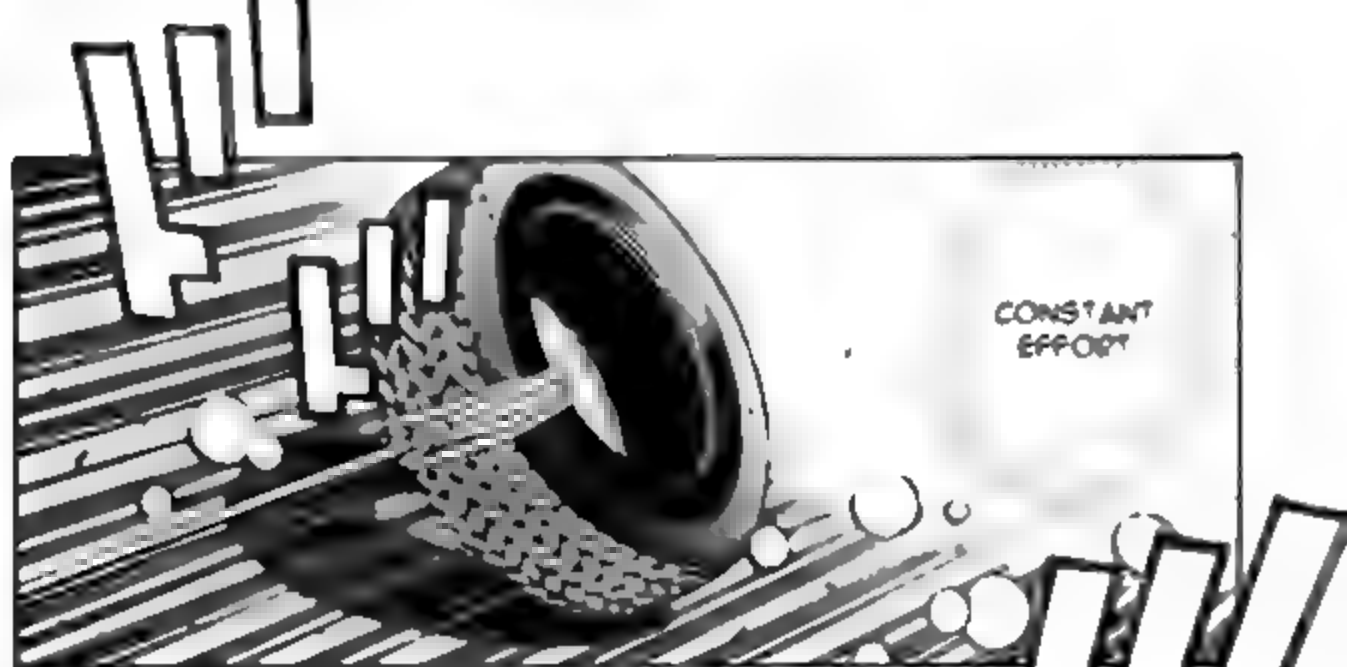
I CAN  
TELL THAT  
YOU'RE  
THINKING  
ABOUT  
SOME-  
THING







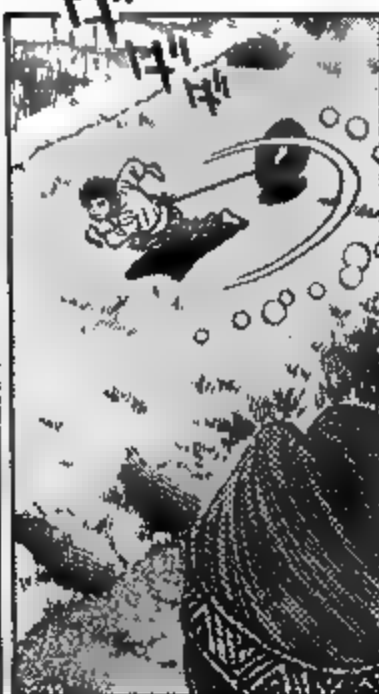


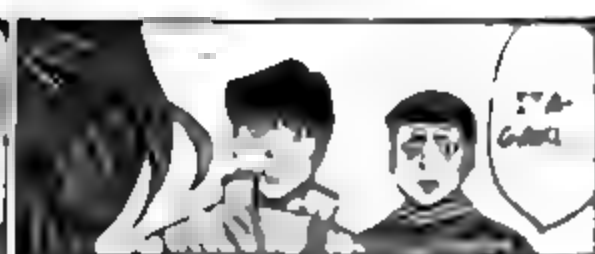
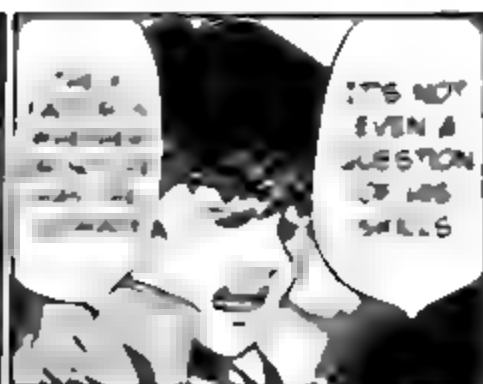


IS LIFE'S  
GREATEST  
SHORTCUT!!



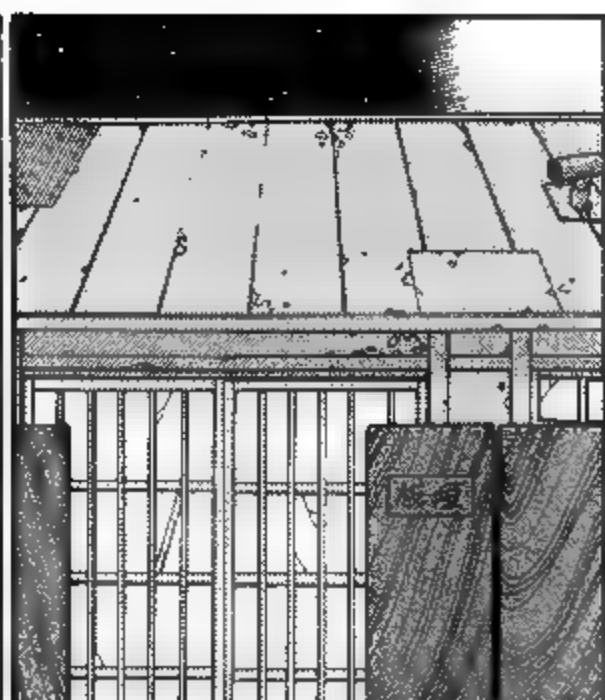














FINDING THE WEAKNESS IN A KILLED TECHNIQUE ISN'T EASY

THANKS TO NANAKO LAST NIGHT WENT DOWN THE COASTED



IS IT ABOUT KUMI-SAN? OH MY GOD! SNAKE

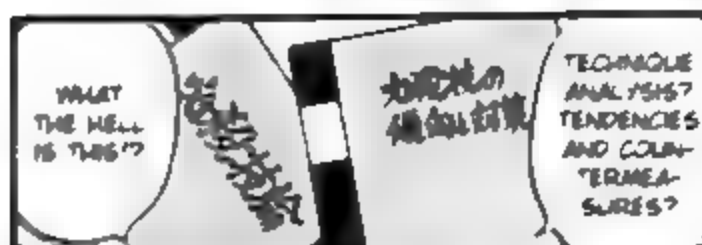
WHAT'S TPO-SAN WORRIED ABOUT?

MY HEAD HURTS



TH, THEY'RE OUR SECRET NOTES SO PLEASE FORGET YOU SAW THEM

OH NO, I DROPPED THEM



WHAT THE HELL IS THIS?

TECHNIQUE ANALYSIS? TENDENCIES AND COUNTERMEASURES?



OH NO

HOLD IT, AOKI-GUMI

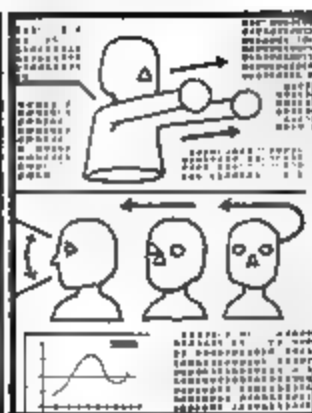


IS DEADLY THIS



W- WE'VE BEEN OBSERVING AND REPORTING TO HELP US LEARN







WRITE  
IT!

HURRY  
AND  
FINISH  
IT!



BE-  
BECAUSE  
IT'S  
BORING

WHAT THE  
HELL IS  
THIS? WHY  
DIDN'T YOU  
FINISH IT?



PLEASE  
GIVE  
BACK



GO  
VE

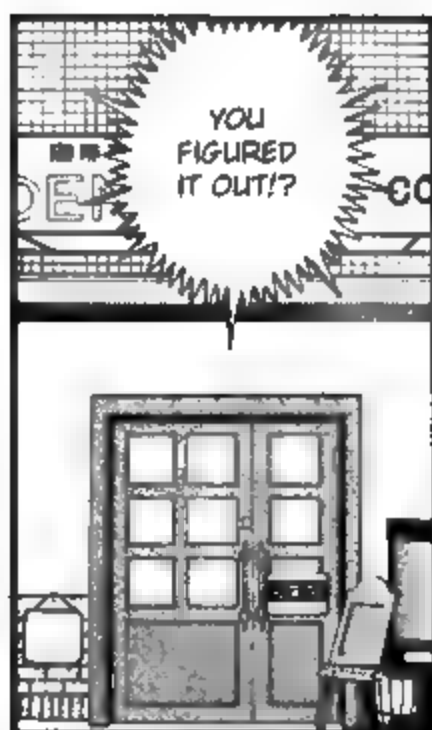


:- IF  
YOU'RE  
DONE  
WITH  
THEM  
PLEASE  
GIVE THE  
NOTES  
BACK

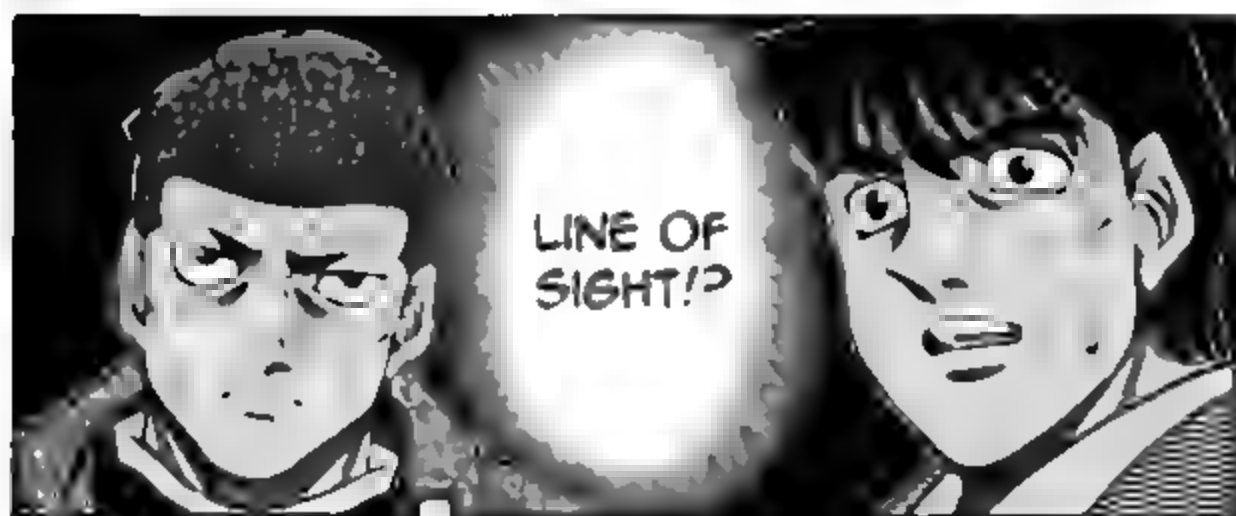


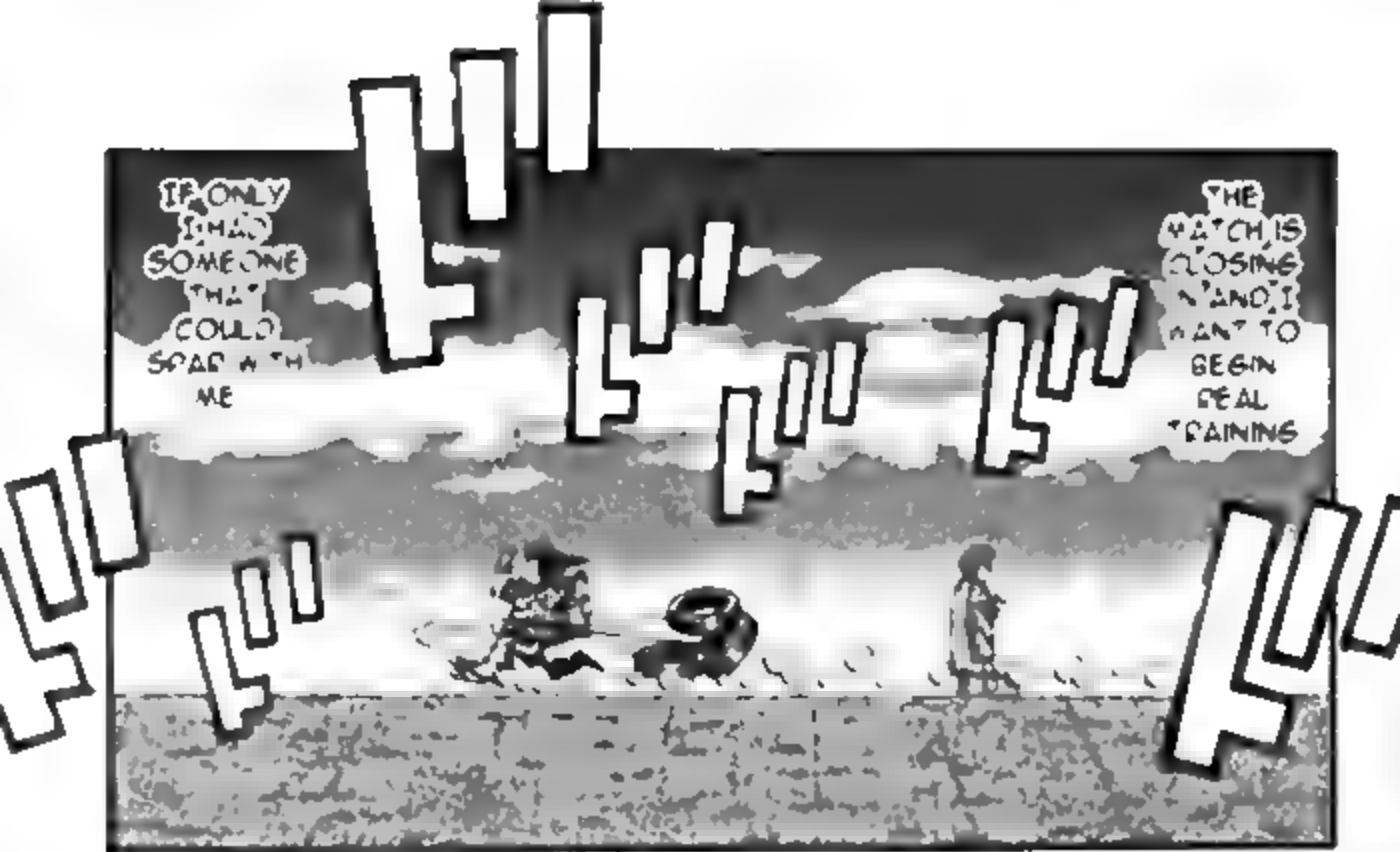
YOU  
ALMOST  
SUR-  
PRISED  
ME  
ENOUGH  
TO LET  
YOU

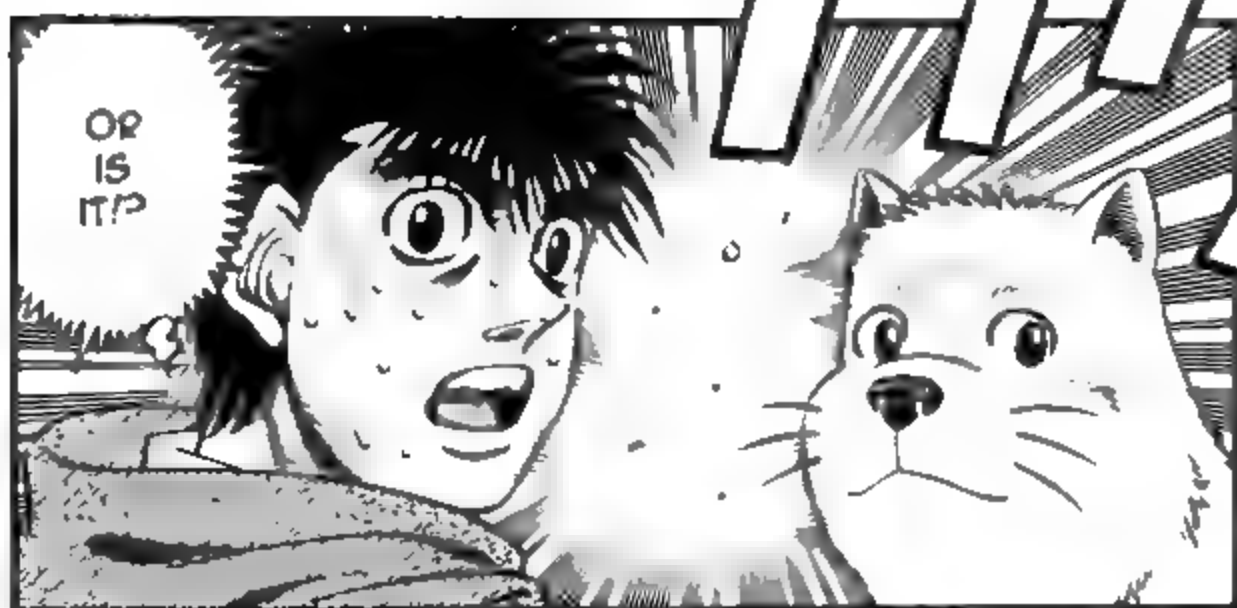
DON'T  
STICK  
YOUR  
HAND IN  
FROM MY  
BLIND  
SPOT













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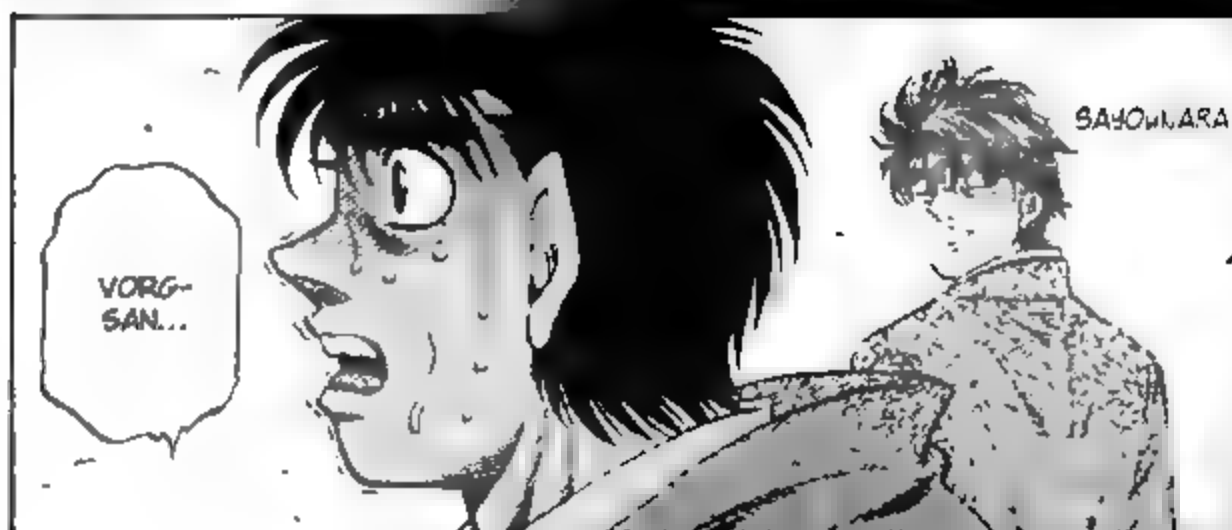
OH! RANT SPACE! I FEEL I SHOULD WRITE SOME THINGS HERE THAT YOU MAY OR MAY NOT WANT TO READ. FIRST OF ALL, I'D LIKE TO POINT OUT THAT I'M REALLY SORRY FOR THE SLOW RELEASE OF IPPO IN THE LAST FEW MONTHS, BUT! BUT, WE'RE STILL WORKING ON IT AND WOULD LIKE YOU ALL TO BE PATIENT JUST A LITTLE LONGER AND GIVE US SOME TIME TO GIVE YOU LEECHERS A NICE BUNDLE OF JOY TO READ. SO PLEASE, READ THIS CHAPTER ABOUT 721345 TIMES FIRST BEFORE GOING TO THE NEXT ONE, AND THEN REPEAT THE PROCESS. :)

-RYNOR















BUT I LEFT  
SOMETHING  
WITH YOU, IT  
JUST DOESN'T  
FEEL RIGHT TO  
PRACTICE  
WITHOUT THEM

SO I  
INTEND TO  
MAKE MY  
COMEBACK  
IN AMERICA

UNFORTU-  
NATELY, I  
DON'T HAVE  
A GYM IN  
JAPAN THAT  
WILL TAKE  
ME IN



I'VE  
TAKEN  
GOOD  
CARE OF  
THEM

I HAVE  
THEM! THE  
GLOVES?



AH...

TAKE  
THIS...



YOU SAID  
YOU FINALLY  
FOUND ME  
EARLIER

YOU'RE  
SO DIRTY...  
WHERE  
HAVE YOU  
BEEN  
STAYING?

YOU  
COULDN'T  
HAVE



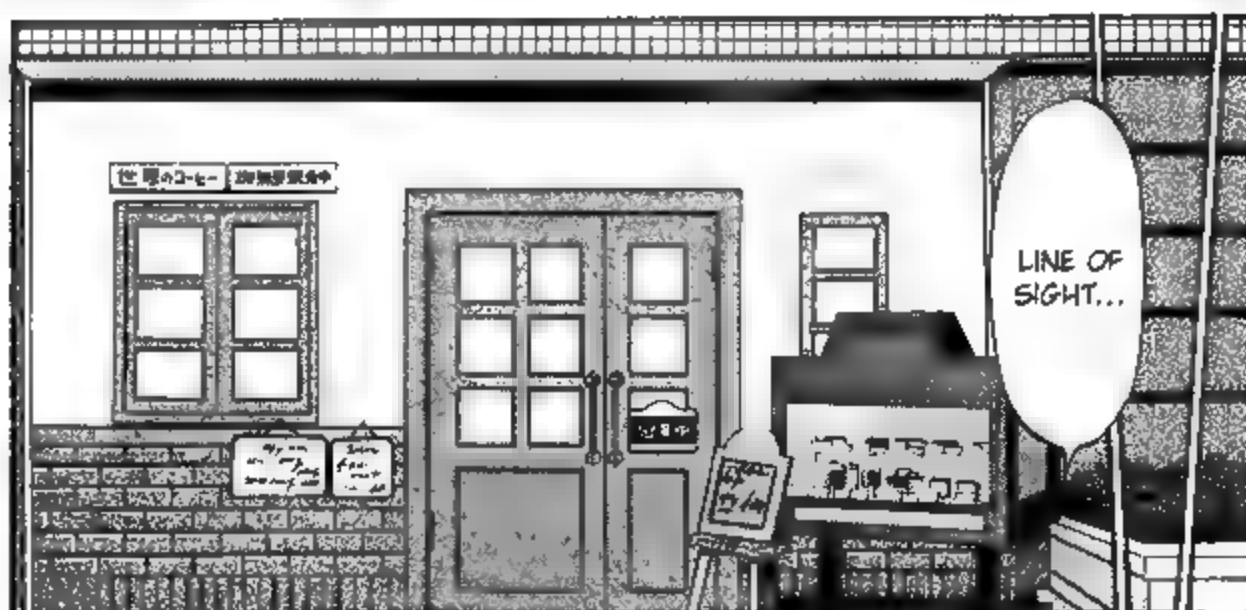
I  
HAVEN'T  
REALLY  
DECIDED  
YET...

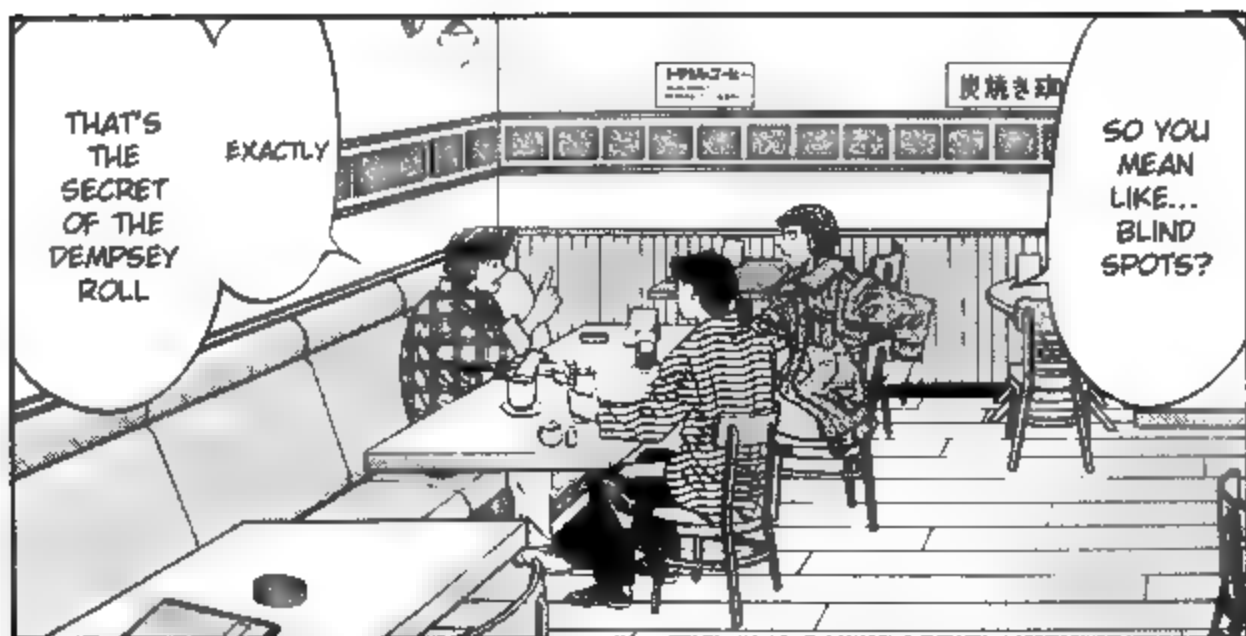
EH?

BY THE  
WAY,  
HOW  
LONG  
ARE YOU  
PLANNING  
TO STAY  
IN  
JAPAN?









THAT'S  
THE  
SECRET  
OF THE  
DEMPSEY  
ROLL

EXACTLY

SO YOU  
MEAN  
LIKE...  
BLIND  
SPOTS?



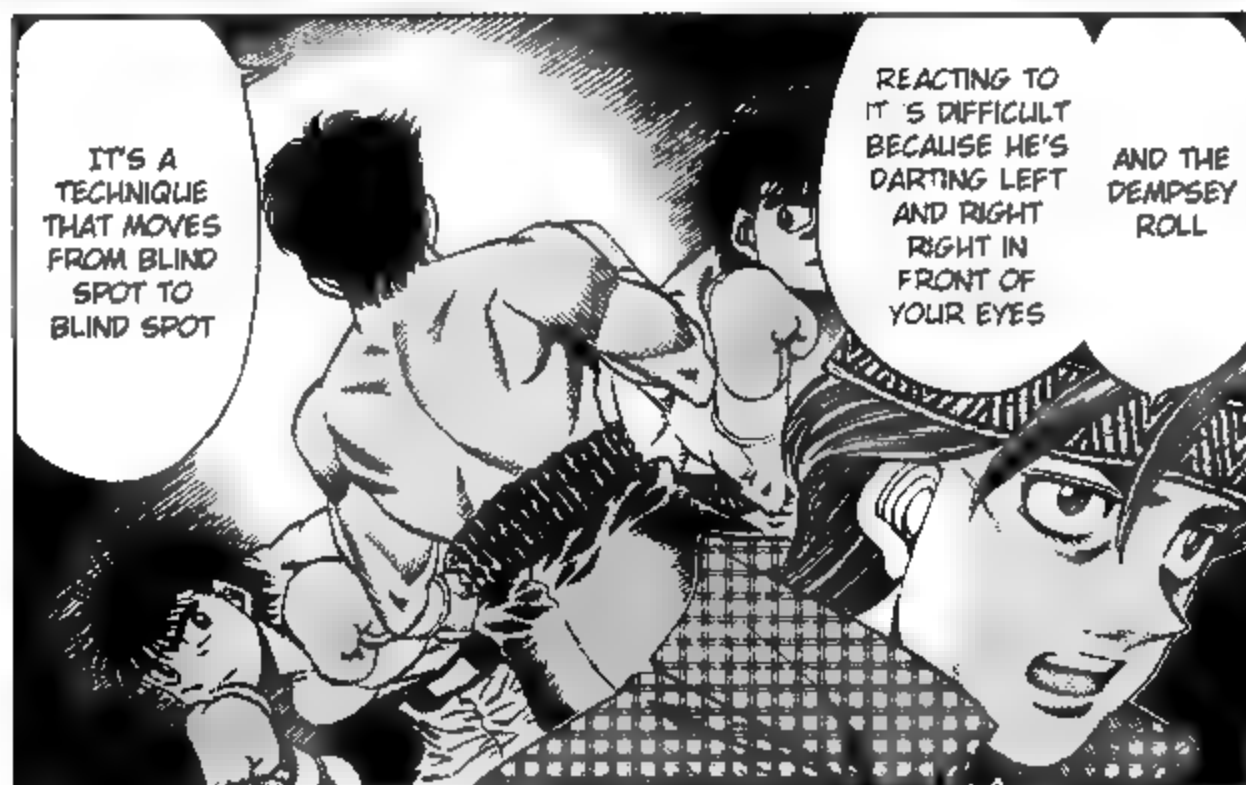
HIS GREATEST  
WEAPON IS  
POWER CLEARLY  
ABOVE THE  
NORMAL LEVELS  
OF HIS WEIGHT  
CLASS

FIRST WE  
NEED TO  
ANALYZE  
THE BOXER,  
MAKUNOUCHI  
IPPO



LAY IT  
OUT  
PLAIN  
AND  
SIMPLE

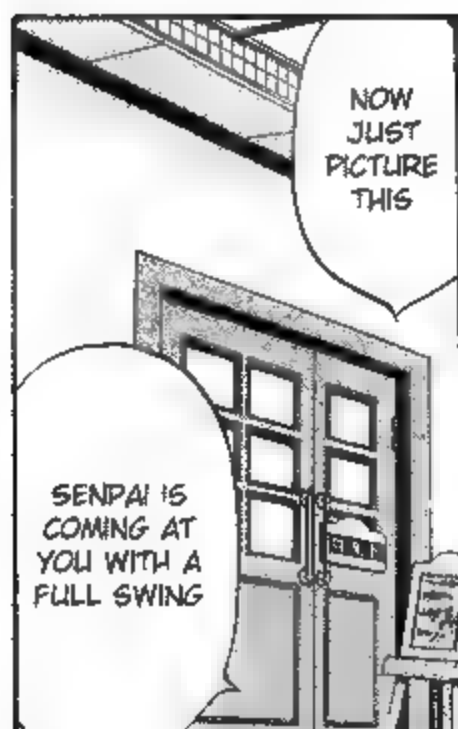
DON'T  
BEAT  
AROUND  
THE  
BUSH



IT'S A  
TECHNIQUE  
THAT MOVES  
FROM BLIND  
SPOT TO  
BLIND SPOT

REACTING TO  
IT'S DIFFICULT  
BECAUSE HE'S  
DARTING LEFT  
AND RIGHT  
RIGHT IN  
FRONT OF  
YOUR EYES

AND THE  
DEMPSEY  
ROLL

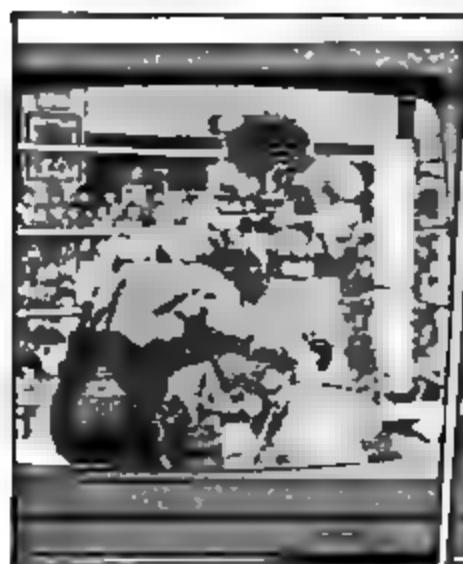
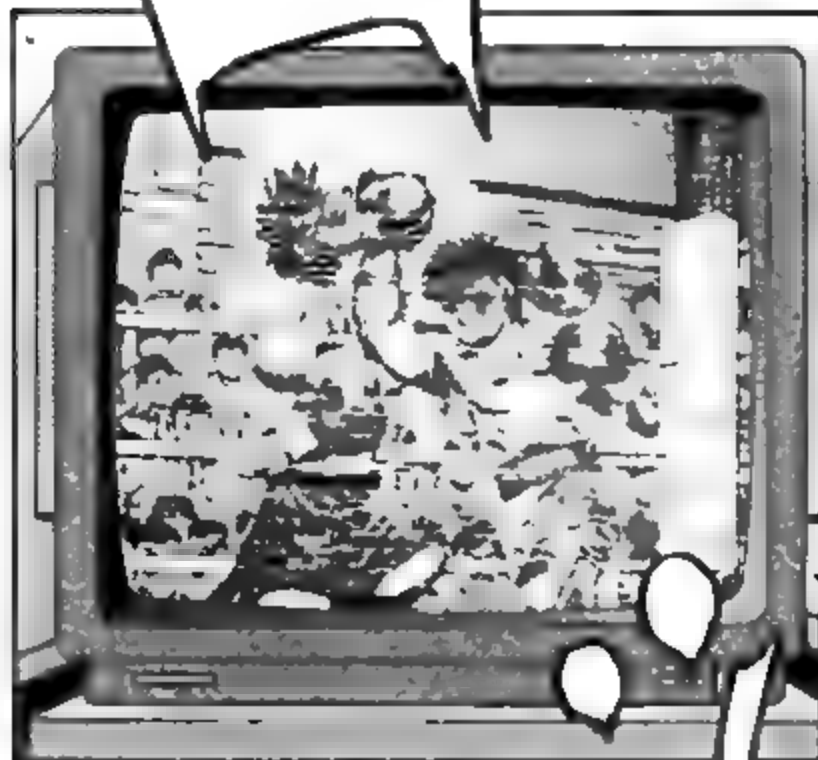














EVERYONE  
WAS  
CALLING IT  
A STAMINA  
CONTEST...

THIS  
MATCH

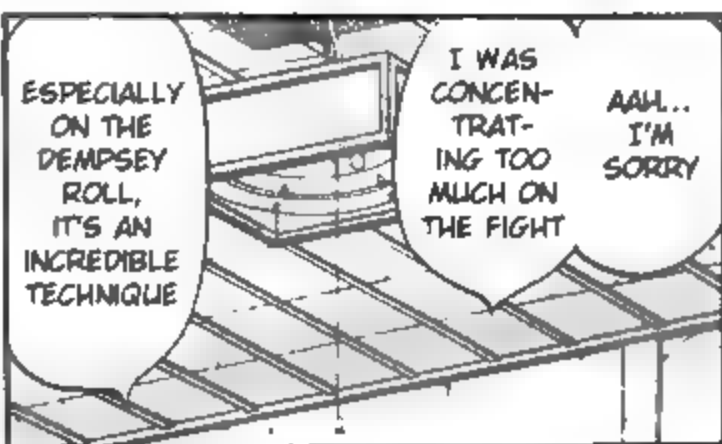


AH...



HOW  
WOULD I  
FIGHT  
AGAINST  
IT...

I WAS  
THINKING...  
IF IT WAS  
ME



ESPECIALLY  
ON THE  
DEMPSEY  
ROLL,  
IT'S AN  
INCREDIBLE  
TECHNIQUE

I WAS  
CONCENTRATING  
TOO  
MUCH ON  
THE FIGHT

AAH...  
I'M  
SORRY



IF IT  
WERE  
YOU...



AND...  
HOW  
WOULD  
YOU?





!!  
HE WAS  
THE  
AMATEUR  
CHAMPION  
FOR A  
REASON!!

HE  
CAME  
TO IT  
SO  
EASILY!



IT  
APPEARS  
THAT  
MATCHING  
THE TIMING  
WOULD BE  
EASY

I'D  
ATTEMPT A  
COUNTER!



MAYBE  
HE  
COULD

NO,  
I'M  
SURE HE  
COULD!  
VORG-  
SAN  
COULD  
DO IT



YOU  
NEED BOTH  
TECHNIQUE  
AND GUTS

VORG-  
SAN HAS  
BOTH...



EVEN IF  
YOU KNOW  
HOW...

BUT  
COMPLET-  
ING THE  
COUNTER  
WOULD BE  
DIFFICULT



SO  
DELI-  
CIOUS

UWAAH,  
THIS IS  
GREAT



I  
LOVE  
FISH

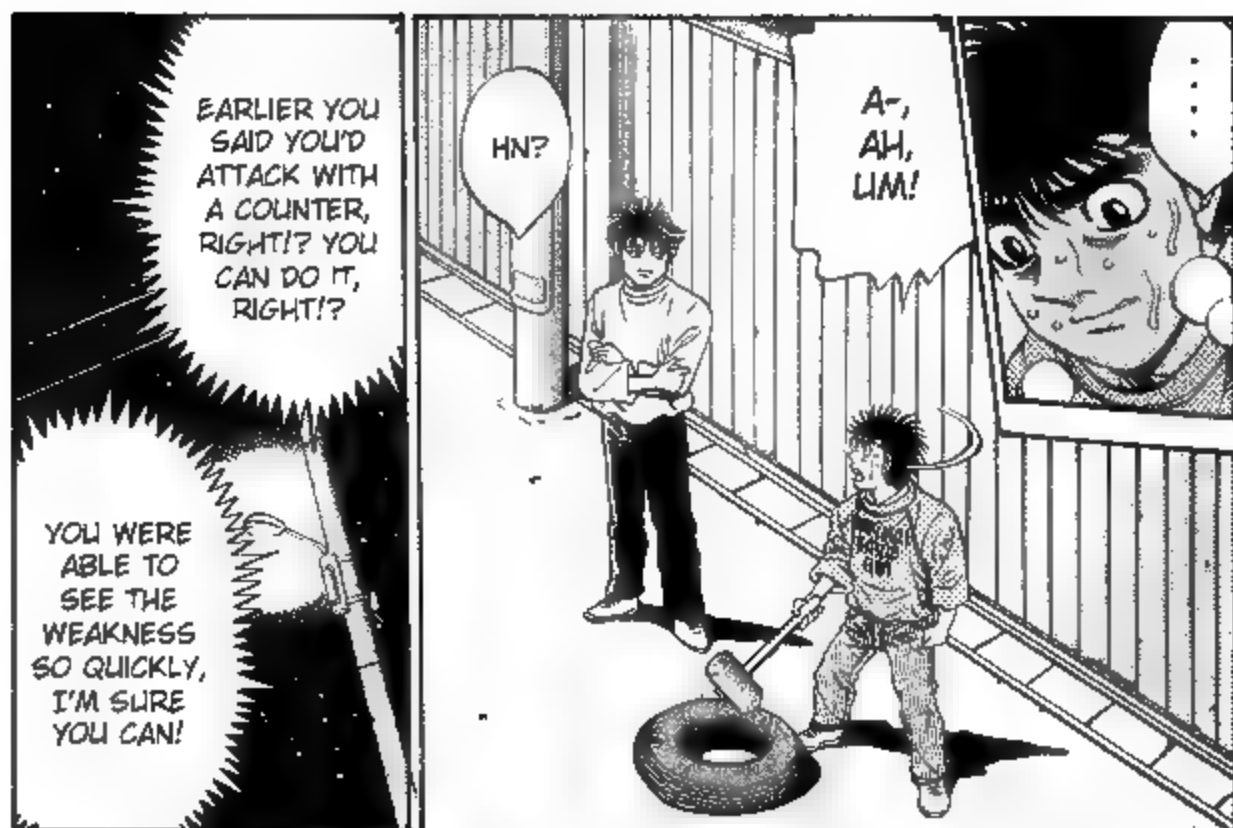
VORG-  
SAN, DO  
YOU  
MIND  
EATING  
FISH?

DINNER'S  
READY

WAKABAN  
BOXING  
GYM













# はじめての THE FIGHTING! 一歩

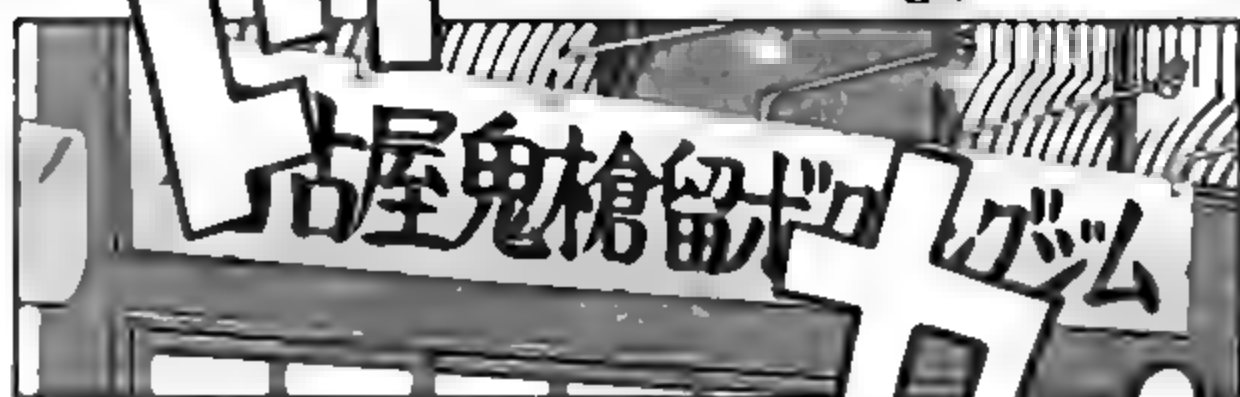
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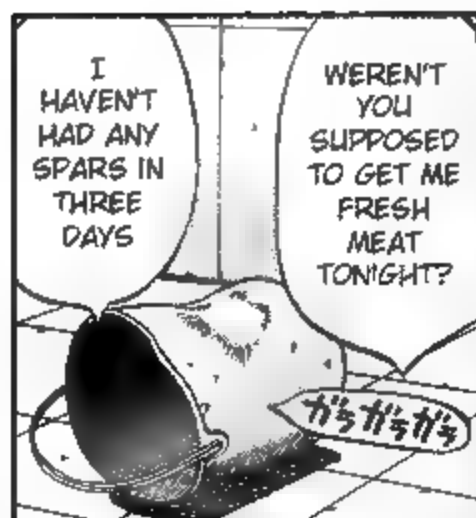


**Round 471 The Owari Dragon**



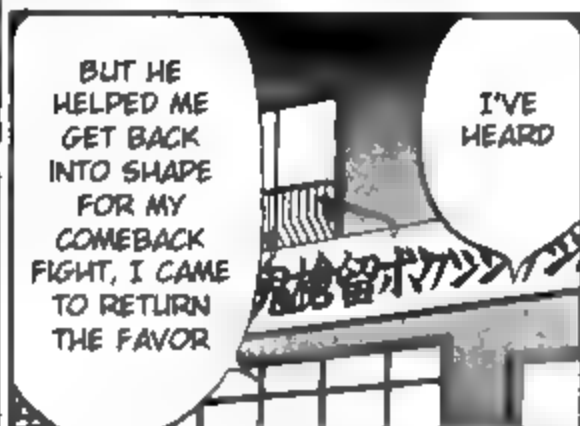
















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IT CAN'T  
BE YOU



SHUT UP  
I PAID

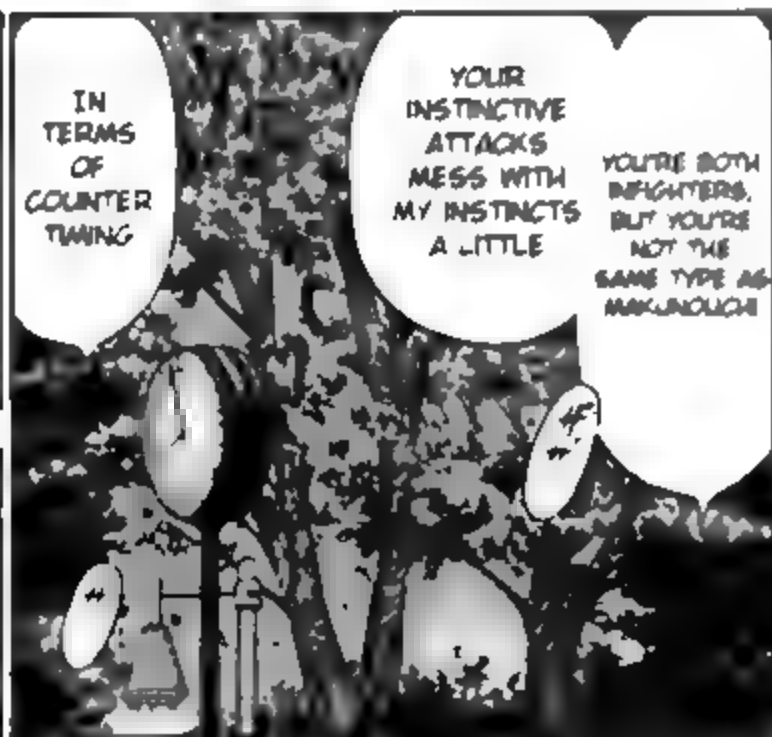
THIS IS  
WHAT YOU  
MEANT BY  
GETTIN' A  
DRINK?  
CHEADSKATE



THE  
TIMING TO  
COUNTER  
THE  
DENDSEY  
ROLL?



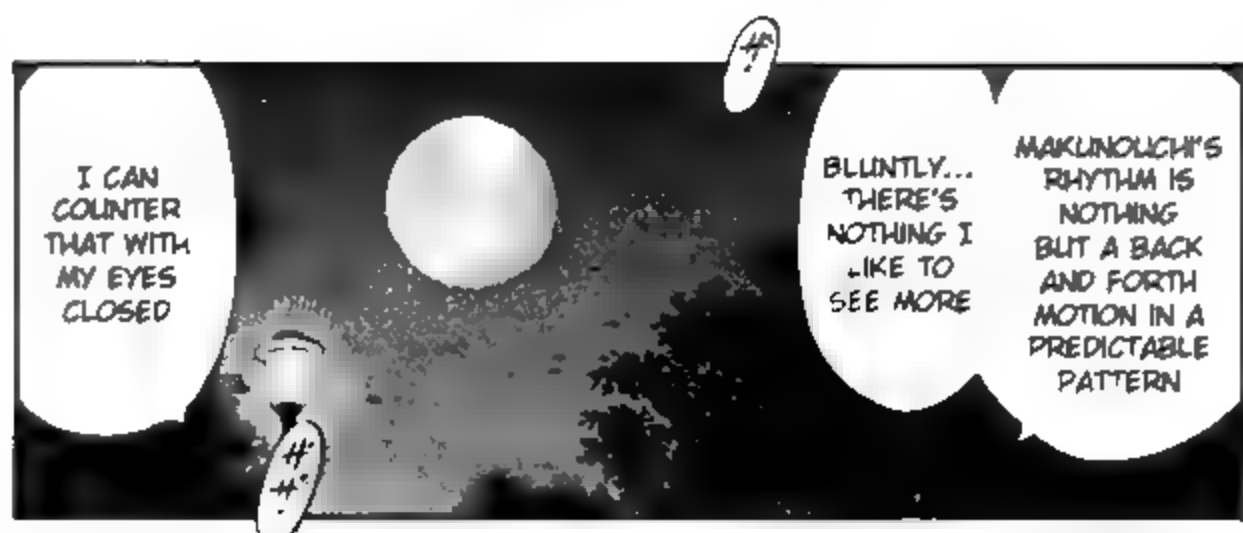
YEAH



IN  
TERMS  
OF  
COUNTER  
TIMING

YOUR  
INSTINCTIVE  
ATTACKS  
MESS WITH  
MY INSTINCTS  
A LITTLE

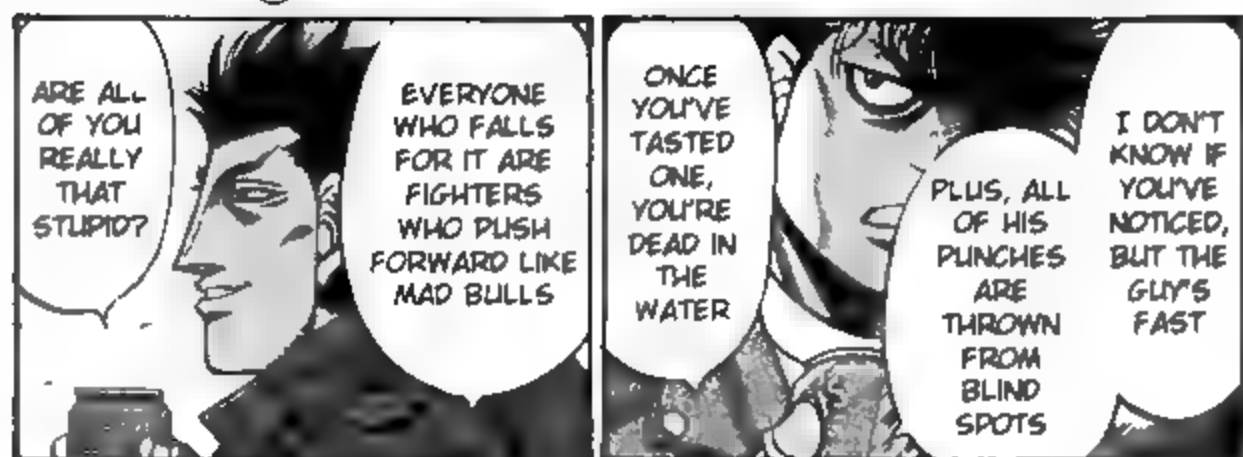
YOU'RE BOTH  
INFIGHTERS,  
BUT YOU'RE  
NOT THE  
SAME TYPE AS  
MAKUNOUCHI



I CAN  
COUNTER  
THAT WITH  
MY EYES  
CLOSED

BLUNTLY...  
THERE'S  
NOTHING I  
LIKE TO  
SEE MORE

MAKINOUCHI'S  
RHYTHM IS  
NOTHING  
BUT A BACK  
AND FORTH  
MOTION IN A  
PREDICTABLE  
PATTERN



ARE ALL  
OF YOU  
REALLY  
THAT  
STUPID?

EVERYONE  
WHO FALLS  
FOR IT ARE  
FIGHTERS  
WHO PUSH  
FORWARD LIKE  
MAD BULLS

ONCE  
YOU'VE  
TASTED  
ONE,  
YOU'RE  
DEAD IN  
THE WATER

PLUS, ALL  
OF HIS  
PUNCHES  
ARE  
THROWN  
FROM  
BLIND  
SPOTS

I DON'T  
KNOW IF  
YOU'VE  
NOTICED,  
BUT THE  
GUY'S  
FAST



HE...

!!



HE'S AS  
SCARY AS  
HE EVER  
WAS

HE'S A  
CHEEKY  
BASTARD,  
BUT HE  
DOES HIS  
HOMEWORK



ONE  
STEP  
BACK

AND IT'S  
NOTHING  
BUT A  
HOOK





Quite many of you may know 'Owari' to mean 'the end' like at the end of a story, but here it refers to the Owari Province, which was an ancient province located in present Aichi Prefecture. Little trivia for you, both Oda Nobunaga and Toyotomi Hideyoshi (well known warlords of the Sengoku period) were born in the Owari Province.)







OK,  
COME  
ON

KUKUKU  
SO YOU'RE  
GONNA MEET  
ME?



IT'S A  
LITTLE  
DIFFERENT  
FROM  
THE WAY  
I  
KNOW  
IT  
BUT  
IT'S  
A  
LITTLE  
DIFFERENT  
FROM  
THE  
WAY  
I  
KNOW  
IT

IT'S  
GETTING  
MORE  
AND  
MORE  
INTERESTING



THE  
MOMENT  
YOU  
THROW  
A  
PUNCH  
IT'S  
THE  
END



WE'LL  
SEE  
WHO  
ENDS  
THIS!!



# はじめての一步























KUH ...



YOU'RE SAVED!





AS FAR  
AS I  
KNOW...

Y-  
YES



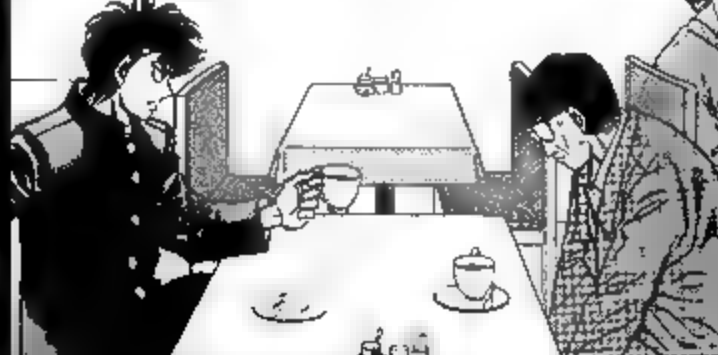
THAT  
GUY'S  
NEVER  
LOST,  
RIGHT?

IT MIGHT  
HAVE BEEN  
RIGHT TO  
STOP THE  
FIGHT



IF WE  
KEPT  
GOING

NEITHER  
HAVE I!



I FELT  
THAT  
KIND OF  
RESPONSE

IT MIGHT  
HAVE GONE  
UNTIL ONE  
OF US DIED



HE'S A  
PITIFUL  
GUY

RYUUHEI'S  
A LONELY  
GUY



WHAT  
DID YOU  
WANNA  
TALK  
ABOUT?

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HE'S..



IT WAS  
PROBABLY  
HIS SENSE  
OF JUSTICE

HE WAS DRUNK  
EVERY DAY AND  
WOULD ALWAYS  
RAMPAGE AT  
RYUJIHEI AND  
HIS MOTHER,  
SO



HE  
STABBED  
HIS  
FATHER

IT'S  
ABOUT  
WHEN HE  
WAS A  
KID



WITH A  
BLADE?

STAB-  
BED?



TH-  
THAT'S  
GOOD TO  
HEAR

THEY  
MANAGED  
TO SAVE  
HIS  
LIFE...

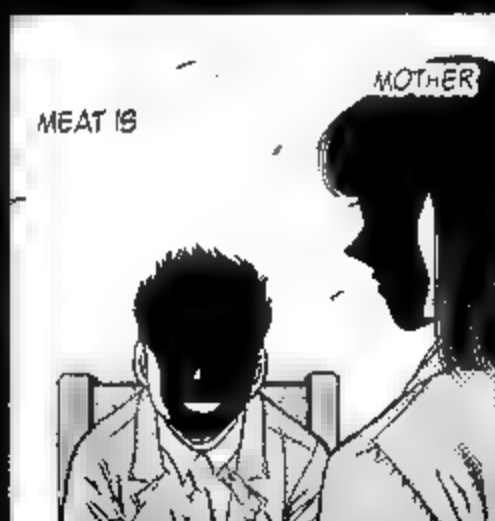


DID  
HE  
DIE?

Sup



IT SEEMS  
HE FINALLY  
ACTED TO  
DEFEND HIS  
MOTHER



MEAT IS

MOTHER



BUT IT  
WAS AT  
THAT  
DINNER  
TABLE

THE MOTHER  
AND SON  
WERE SENT  
AWAY TO LIVE  
TOGETHER



BUT  
SOFT  
INSIDE,  
ISN'T IT

HARD  
ON THE  
OUTSIDE,



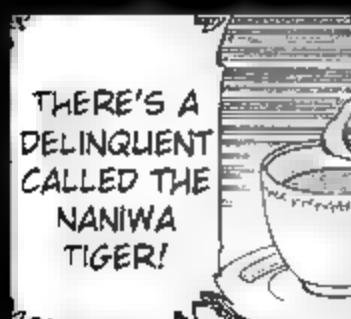
AND SO, IN  
THE CARE OF  
RELATIVES,  
RYUJHEI  
BEGAN TO  
WAIT

HIS MOTHER  
SAID SHE  
WAS GOING  
TO LOOK  
FOR WORK



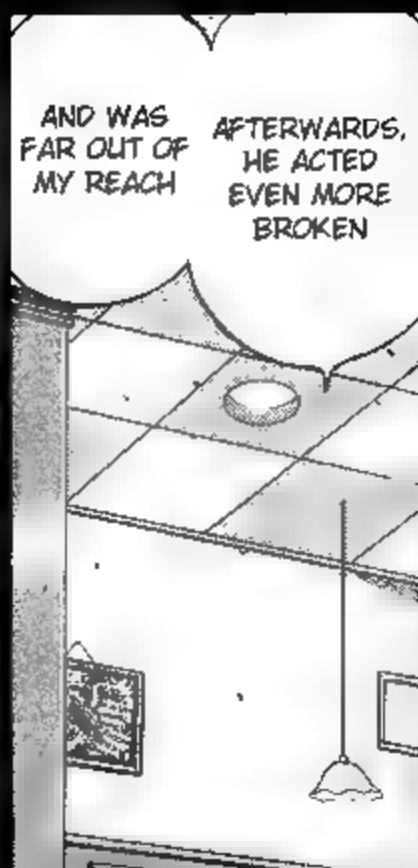
THAT HE  
WAS  
BETRAYED  
BY THE  
MOTHER HE  
PROTECTED

IT WOULD  
TAKE ROUGHLY  
THREE YEARS  
FOR RYUJHEI  
TO REALIZE













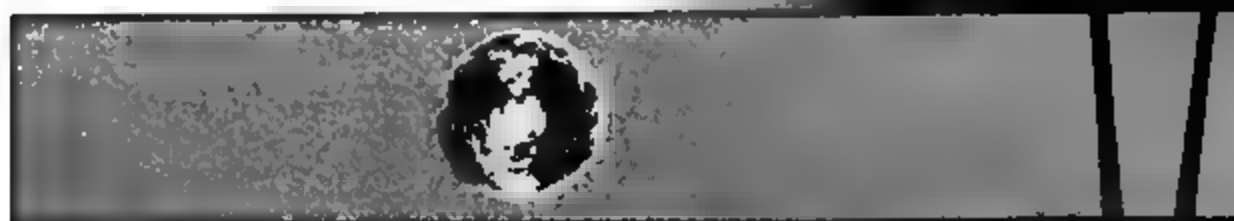
A TOTALLY  
DIFFERENT  
PERSON



BY  
SOMEONE  
TOTALLY  
DIFFERENT

IT'LL  
BE  
WHEN  
WE GET  
HAM-  
MERE

-THAT'S  
THE ONLY  
TIME



IF YOU  
DIDN'T DO  
THAT, I  
WOULD HAVE  
SANK MY  
TEETH INTO  
YOUR SKIN

I  
REMEMBER

A CHEAP  
MOVE LIKE  
FLINGING  
YOUR SHOE





THE  
NANIWA  
CAT

AND  
WHEN  
THAT TIME  
COMES,  
LET'S  
CONTINUE

IF I  
BECOME THE  
CHAMPION,  
YOU CAN BE  
MY FIRST  
CHALLENGER

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WHAT-A  
LONELY  
MAN'S SHOP

YOU'RE  
STILL  
ALONE...



KAKA  
KAKAKA

KU  
KU  
KUH



—OF  
COURSE  
HE'D BE  
STRONG



AND  
BROUGHT  
OUT A  
PREFERENCE  
FOR ACTIONS  
INVOLVING HIS  
MURDEROUS  
INTENTS...

THE PAST  
AND  
FEELINGS  
OF HIM,  
HAVING  
GONE  
THROUGH  
ALL THAT,  
BROUGHT  
OUT HIS  
INBORN  
TALENTS



EVEN  
I'M  
CHILLED  
BY  
THOSE  
EYES

NO ONE  
WILL GET  
CLOSE TO  
SUCH MAD  
EYES







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THE FIGHTING

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